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MARGINAL COLUMN
By WILLIAM FITTER

Mr. Harold Macmillan's recent fortnight in Australia during the course of his Commonwealth tour, far from being a lazy lie in the sun, developed into a *tour de force* carried through amid welcome, drought-breaking rains. Canberra, Sydney, Brisbane, Melbourne, Hobart and then back to Canberra — all by air of course — but nevertheless a long, arduous tour. And speeches, speeches all the way. Seldom can a British Prime Minister have said so many words within so few days. But from it all there has emerged an interesting pattern, more probably by accident than design. Mr. Macmillan, with missionary zeal, has been sketching "the new Commonwealth of the future" — one which has evoked a warm response from Australian audiences and almost all sections of the Press. This is not surprising because Macmillan's word picture seems only a tardy recognition of the Commonwealth which was envisaged by Australian statesmen back in 1931 with the Statute of Westminster. That Statute, it will be recalled, recognised the independence of the self-governing Dominions within the Empire. Since then, Australians have always regarded their country as a full and equal partner in the British Commonwealth of nations, but British Conservatives, judging by Mr. Macmillan's new-found enthusiasm, are only just awakening to the concept of Dominion equality and the potential strength of the, as yet barely developed, Dominions.

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Mr. Macmillan's six-weeks' dash through India, Pakistan, Ceylon, New Zealand and Australia may, therefore, have surprising results if it leads to a widening of Whitehall's vision of the Commonwealth. Australians, for their part, should benefit from the visit because, between fact-finding, the British Prime Minister has done a good advertising job for "the old country," as he affectionately calls it. "We British are not supposed to be fond of blowing our own trumpets, but I thought you in Australia might like to know that the old country is still quite a girl," Macmillan said in an Australia-wide broadcast. He pointed out that Britain had the world's first commercial nuclear power station, that she was filling the first export order for such a power house, and that her scientists led the world in thermonuclear research. "I believe that in the second industrial revolution through atomic power Britain will again play a leading part, as she did a century ago in the first industrial revolution," he added.

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THIS picture of a resurgent Britain should do much to encourage closer Commonwealth ties and counter the arguments of those Australians who profess to believe that Australia's future lies with the U.S. rather than Europe. Mr. Macmillan has also done Australians a useful service in putting British migration into perspective. The proportion of Britons to foreigners entering Australia has been falling and, because the public emphatically wants this to remain a dominantly British country, the Government, and immigration officials especially, have been under critical attack. Mr. Macmillan, politely but firmly, told a Brisbane audience that the decline in British migration was probably because fewer Britons are now dissatisfied with their conditions in the homeland. "Britain has a vigorous and progressive economy, and with scientific advances our people know that ours is a land of opportunity," he said. While supporting migration in the interests of the Commonwealth as a whole, the British Government could not undertake a deliberate policy to depopulate Britain and leave it with only the very young and the very old.

Sydney, February.

Grotewohl Said Ordered To Take Trip Abroad

BERLIN, Thursday (UP). — The West Berlin newspaper "Nacht Depesche" claimed today that East Germany's Deputy Premier Walter Ulbricht arrested his nominal chief, Premier Otto Grotewohl, last week and held him prisoner until he agreed to leave the country.

The newspaper said Ulbricht, the Moscow-trained "strong man" of East Germany, suspected Grotewohl of complicity in an attempt to overthrow him. Three alleged leaders of the plot were purged from high Communist Party posts last week.

The newspaper gave no source for its story, and Western officials were inclined to discount it.

The only confirmation that could be obtained immediately was a Communist announcement that Grotewohl left Germany on Tuesday for "several weeks' vacation." The announcement did not say where the Premier is vacationing.

U.S. May Mediate Tunisian Dispute

American mediation in the Franco-Tunisian dispute seemed imminent last night. The French Ambassador in Washington, M. Herve Alphand, said he had discussed with Under-Secretary of State Christian Herter the possibility of such mediation while President Bourguiba of Tunisia said his country would not take the Sakiet bombing incident to the U.N. Security Council if the French Government would accept an American attempt at a solution.

The French Foreign Minister, M. Christian Pineau, told the National Assembly last night that the Government had made "specific proposals likely to ease the tension" between it and the Tunisian Government arising from Tunisian assistance for Algerian rebels and, more directly, from the French bombing last Saturday of the Tunisian border village of Sakiet Sidi Yussef.

Inadmissible Pressure

M. Pineau continued: "But it is not possible to start talks as long as the Tunisian Government exercises the inadmissible pressure against our troops, paralyzing their supplies and movements and harming the interests of French citizens."

(Tunisia banned movements of French troops within her territory and expelled seventy French farming families in retaliation for the bombing which killed 75 persons.)

The State Department said yesterday the U.S. would provide $75,000 worth of relief aid for the victims of the bombing. The Department spokesman emphatically repudiated as a lie the Soviet charge that the U.S. was behind the bombing.

The Russian ship Prolovo left Odessa for Tunisia on Wednesday with Soviet Red Cross and Red Crescent Society gifts for the victims, TASS reported.

Strike Called

In Tunisia itself, a five-hour general strike has been called for today as part of nation-wide observances of "Sakiet Day."

President Bourguiba, in his weekly radio address to the Tunisian people, declared last night that, if France wanted the "battle for the evacuation" of French forces from Tunisia to be bloody, "we are not afraid."

"France knows the world knows, that Bourguiba is ready to go into the mountains and fight with partisans if it comes to that."

The President repeated his demand for total evacuation of French forces before there could be cooperation with France.

Tunisians had said in the past that French forces could retain the naval base at Bizerta to maintain it for the defence of the free world, he recalled, but after the bombing of Sakiet, Bizerta would have to be evacuated.

Things would go badly if the French tried to use force a Bizerta, he declared.

In view of its importance in the defence system of the free world, Mr. Bourguiba said, he was ready to discuss bringing it within NATO.

He said the French troops in Tunisia were not prisoners. They were merely in their camps and could go to a port of embarkation if they wished. But Tunisians would resist any French attempt to break the blockade by force.

French Army sources, who said their troops were confined to barracks by order of their Commander-in-Chief, General Antoine Gambiez, told journalists they were anxious to avoid incidents, but there were fears an incident might start at any moment.

Tunisian police yesterday suddenly strengthened the "blockade" of General Gambiez' headquarters.

Yesterday and on Wednesday, civilians were allowed up to the gates of Salambo Camp, in a residential district 15 kilometres outside Tunis. But yesterday afternoon police abruptly blocked the road about 100 metres from the camp gates.

Food, But No 'Phone

French sources said there was plenty of food in the camp, but telephone communications have been cut off for several days.

In the French National Assembly, M. Pineau, who made his statement after a bedside conference with Premier Felix Gaillard, who has influenza, declared: "It is unthinkable that we should give up the supply of our troops. This must be carried out under conditions not giving rise to any intervention by the Tunisian authorities."

He said: "We hope that there will be no serious incidents, which we, on our part, will do everything to avoid."

M. Pineau told the Assembly that the French Government had handed the Tunisian Government a Note in which it indicated it was "determined, despite present difficulties, to start talks for a general settlement of outstanding problems.

"These talks could not be held, however, unless the supply of French troops, the evacuation of the sick and communications of the High Command in Tunisia were carried out in a normal way."

The Tunisian Interior Ministry has banned a show by the Folies Bergere which was to have opened in Tunis today. The reason given is "this is no time for pleasures." (Reuter)

Algerian Rebels Kill 15 Frenchmen

ALGIERS, Thursday (Reuter). — An insurgent band killed 15 French soldiers and lost 16 dead themselves as they tried to fight their way out of a trap laid for them by French security forces near Aumale, reports reaching here tonight said.

The battle was fought about 12 kilometres from the small market town of Aumale, 125 km. southeast of Algiers, after French troops had encircled an insurgent band.

Security forces took seven prisoners.

Makarios and Foot Hold Blunt Exchange of Views

NICOSIA, Thursday (Reuter). — Sir Hugh Foot, Governor of Cyprus, returned by air today from his talks in Athens with the Greek Government and Archbishop Makarios, declaring: "I expressed my views strongly to Archbishop Makarios and he explained his views equally strongly."

Sir Hugh added, "It was important that I should hear his views and equally important that he should hear mine."

He said he and the Archbishop were alone when they met. Both spoke very frankly, but "We were not negotiating in any sense at all." Sir Hugh Foot said the meeting was held on British initiative.

Shortly after his arrival, the Governor conferred with the Turkish Cypriot leader, Dr. Fazil Kutchuk.

After his 30-minute talk with the exiled leader of the Cypriot Union with Greece movement, Sir Hugh said in Athens that they had discussed "the troubled situation in the island and expressed the hope that order would be maintained so that progress towards a solution of the Cyprus problem can be made."

Archbishop Makarios stated: "Our talk was not of the nature of formal conversations on the Cyprus issue."

Purely Local

"I took the opportunity, however, to underline to Sir Hugh Foot that the question of Cyprus was purely a dispute between the British and Cypriots and not between Greece and Turkey, as the British Conservative Government was attempting to present it in order to complicate the situation and appear as arbiter."

Sir Hugh emphasized that his meeting with the Archbishop was outside the framework of the Anglo-Greek talks. He denied reports that the British Government planned to permit the Archbishop to return to Cyprus.

It was the first meeting between the Archbishop and a senior British official since the former was exiled from Cyprus to the Seychelles Islands in March, 1956.

Archbishop Makarios was released from the Seychelles, in the Indian Ocean, last April, but was not allowed to return to Cyprus, going instead to Athens.

The Governor had gone to Athens to take part in the talks between the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, and the Greek Government on the Cyprus problem. The talks ended yesterday. British sources described them as "inconclusive, but not a failure."

No Concrete Plan

The Greek Foreign Minister, Mr. Evangelos Averoff, said Britain had made no concrete proposals.

On his return to London this evening, Mr. Lloyd told reporters that the three governments (Britain, Greece and Turkey) concerned with Cyprus had not yet reached common ground, but he had certain ideas about what that common ground could be.

A joint Anglo-Greek communique issued in Athens this morning said: "Although views did not coincide on some basic points, the Ministers agreed that the conversations were of mutual benefit, and they will further the study each other's views."

RAF BEING EQUIPPED WITH BRITISH-MADE H-BOMBS

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter). — The Government today announced that British hydrogen bombs with the power of a million tons of explosive were now in production and deliveries to the Royal Air Force had begun.

The announcement was included in the Government's annual report to Parliament on defence. It said that the British strategic bomber force equipped to carry these bombs provided a "mobile and flexible form of military power."

While based in Britain, its four-jet aircraft could be transferred within a few hours to stations overseas and could fly as high and as fast as any bomber in service anywhere.

The report further disclosed that a British ballistic rocket of a more advanced type than the American one was being developed on the highest priority in close cooperation with the U.S. "It is being designed for launching from underground," it was added.

Propelled Bombs

It was also revealed that progress was being made with the development of propelled bombs which could be released from a considerable distance, thus making it unnecessary for the aircraft to fly into the more heavily defended target area.

The report said the Government had accepted the offer of the U.S. to supply Britain with intermediate range ballistic missiles. "The agreement setting out arrangements will be completed very shortly and its terms will be published."

It stated that the British development of a nuclear submarine was proceeding with "the valuable cooperation of the U.S."

During 1957-1958 the British Army of the Rhine will have been reduced from 77,-

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U.S. Navy Searches For Jettisoned A-Bomb

SAVANNAH, Georgia, Thursday (UP). — A B-47 jet bomber jettisoned a "portion of a nuclear weapon" off Savannah beach after a collision with a fighter at 35,000 feet a week ago, and the Navy is trying to recover the device, it was disclosed last night.

The nuclear weapon was not assembled so that it could be detonated, the Air Force said, and there was no danger of an explosion or radioactivity. At the time of the collision last Wednesday the Air Force announced merely that the damaged B-47 and its crew of three had landed at Hunter Air Force Base here after the collision.

The pilot of the JNV jet fighter that struck the bomber's starboard wing bailed out safely although frostbitten from temperatures of 30 below zero at the six-mile height.

U.S. Military Spare Parts 'Shop' for NATO

NEW YORK, Thursday (Reuter). — "The New York Times" reported today that the U.S. has devised a plan for a "shopping centre" for military spare parts for NATO.

The newspaper in a dispatch from Washington said the centre would have an initial inventory of $50m. worth of items ranging from nuts and bolts to jet engines. It said American representatives would present the proposal to a NATO committee meeting on Monday.

Secretary of the Air Force, James Douglas, has disclosed at a secret hearing of the House Armed Services Committee that it is intended to use the Atlas intercontinental ballistic missile, to launch an unmanned reconnaissance satellite.

This bare fact was all that was left in the censored testimony made public yesterday.

SPUTNIK NOT BUILT BY GERMANS

HELMSTEDT, West Germany, Thursday (Reuter). — A German scientist who returned yesterday after working in Russia since the war, declared today that no German group of scientists in Russia had worked on the Soviet earth satellite.

But the scientist, Dr. Peter Lartes, one of a group of 13 repatriated after 12 years of efforts by the West German Government, added that the Sputnik "was developed on the basis of experience German scientists took with them to Russia."

NAGY REPORTED ILL

BUDAPEST, Thursday (Reuter). — The former Hungarian Prime Minister, Imre Nagy, removed to Rumania by the Russians after they had ousted him in the 1956 uprising, is in bad health, according to local reports.

The reports said relatives had received word from Nagy, who is 61, that he is suffering from heart and liver complaints.

Iraqi-Jordan Union Imminent; Agreement on Basic Articles

'Western Plot' Against UAR

Damascus Radio interrupted its news bulletin yesterday afternoon to announce that Syrian security authorities have seized a group which had infiltrated into the country to incite Syrians against the merger with Egypt.

The Syrian Army spokesman declared last night that the group was arrested at noon, and that the members were the agents of "imperialists." He said those detained were being interrogated and would later face trial. He castigated "Zionists and Western imperialists" as working to undermine the United Arab Republic.

At the same time the Cairo paper "Al Ahram" reported that President Kuwatly of Syria was taking personal action against enemies of the new union, who were putting "huge sums" of money in a drive to undermine the plan.

These were the first references from Egypt and Syria of any opposition to the merger.

"Al Ahram" quoted Akram Hourani, Speaker of the Syrian Parliament, as stating that the Communist Party "refuses to dissolve itself and is continuing its activities."

C.P. Offices Shut

The Egyptian paper reported from Damascus that all Communist Party offices in Syria had been closed down by the Government, and repeated an earlier report that the Communist leader, Khaled Bakdash, had left for Moscow with eight members of the party's Central Committee.

Syrian political parties will meet in Damascus tomorrow to draft a joint statement announcing their dissolution following the union.

The Syrian Foreign Minister, Salah Bitar, and the Syrian Chief of Staff, Gen. Afif Bizri, arrived in Cairo yesterday to put finishing touches to the plan for the merger. Bitar said that he will confer on the creation of a single Foreign Ministry and the integration of Syrian and Egyptian foreign missions. He declared, "We will also expand diplomatic relations with Asian, Latin American and the Scandinavian countries."

Bizri is to confer with Egyptian military authorities on unification of the armed forces.

Abdul Nasser and Crown Prince Mohammed Badr of the Yemen will meet next week to finalize plans for Yemeni federation with Egypt and Syria. The joint Yemeni-Egyptian sub-committee yesterday ended talks on the cultural and educational aspects of the proposed federation.

(Damascus R., UP, Reuter)

Life Terms For Absent Plotters

DAMASCUS, Thursday (Reuter). — One Syrian was yesterday sentenced to death and four others, including ex-President Adib Shishakly and the ex-Military Attache in Rome, Col. Ibrahim Husseini, were given life imprisonment terms, on charges of plotting to overthrow the Syrian regime. The five defendants are abroad.

Five other accused, three of whom were army officers, were imprisoned by the military court for terms varying from 18 months to 15 years.

Japan Studies Saudi Request for Arms

TOKYO, Thursday (Reuter). — Japan has received requests from Saudi Arabia for arms and military goods, the Ministry of Trade confirmed today.

A spokesman, commenting on local press reports, said the Trade and Foreign Ministries were now "carefully considering" the Saudi requests.

He said the Foreign Ministry held that any supplies should be made on a commercial basis, but that the Government's policy was that it would not permit such exports if they stimulated disputes between Middle Eastern countries.

He said even if approved, Japanese makers would find it very difficult to deliver arms to countries in the Middle East because Japanese-made weapons and ammunition involved American designs and materials.

Turkey Buying Soviet Building Materials

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter). — Russia will supply Turkey with building equipment, and, if necessary, technical experts, according to an agreement signed by the two countries yesterday, Moscow Radio reported.

Payment of a sum, which was not specified, would be spread over a three-year period.

SUEZ COMPENSATION TALK NEXT WEEK

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter). — Representatives of the Egyptian Government and the shareholders of the International Suez Canal Company will meet in Rome next Wednesday to begin discussions on compensation for the shareholders, it was announced tonight in a statement issued by the World Bank.

Saudi Arabia Staying Out

Reports from Amman last night took it for granted that the Jordan-Iraqi federal union would be announced shortly, following the arrival during the evening of Crown Prince Abdul Illah from Baghdad to participate in the final talks between Kings Faisal and Hussein.

Reuter reported from the Jordan capital that the two Hashemite monarchs had reached agreement on "substantive proposals" for a union. It quoted an official announcement as saying that upon the proclamation of the union, the Iraqi Embassy in Amman and the Jordan Embassy in Baghdad would be closed down.

Jordan officials said that a final communique on the union might be issued on Saturday.

The Arab News Agency reported that, for the present, Saudi Arabia would not join the federation because of difficulties of adjusting her patriarchal system of government with the Western-type legislative system of Iraq and Jordan. It quoted a Saudi spokesman in Riadh as saying, however, that King Saud has given his "full blessing" to the new union.

One Flag Two Thrones

Jordan officials said the two monarchs will retain their thrones, but will unite under one flag, one army command, and one development board. Also to be unified, they said, will be foreign and financial affairs. There will be one parliament for both countries, but each also will have its own legislative body. There were no details given as to the proportion of representation in the single House. The two countries have a total population of seven million.

Each country would retain its U.N. representation and its own missions in foreign countries. The union, it was added, would contain a clause exempting Jordan from committing herself to Iraq's foreign alliances.

'Loose' Union

United Press quoted informed sources in Amman as saying the federation would be "loose-knit."

The Old City daily "El Jihad" said that the federation would ensure that Jordan would be cured of two "chronic diseases"—shortage of funds for her army, and her weak international position. It pointed out that since Iraq would retain her place in the Baghdad Pact, there would be no pressure brought to bear on Jordan to join that alliance.

"Falastin," also published in the Old City, pointed with satisfaction to the favourable opinion in Iraq for a federation, and quoted excerpts from Iraqi press editorials on the current talks in Amman.

Baghdad Pact As Counter in Talks

King Faisal of Iraq has agreed to consider withdrawing from the Baghdad Pact when it comes up for renewal in 18 months' time "if the new Jordan-Iraq federation is working smoothly," an informed Jordan source told United Press in Amman yesterday.

This source said that, in return for this qualified promise, King Hussein of Jordan dropped his insistence that Iraq quit the pact now, before accepting federal union.

The Iraqi ex-Premier and elder statesman, Nuri Said, was scheduled to arrive in London today from Baghdad on a short visit, according to Reuter. The Iraqi Embassy in London said Nuri was coming for medical reasons, but a Foreign Office spokesman said he "did not exclude the possibility" that Nuri would confer with Ministers. Prime Minister Macmillan is also due to arrive in London today after completing his Commonwealth tour.

Debate in U.S.

"The New York Times" said in a dispatch from Washington yesterday that the State Department was debating the possibility that the Baghdad Pact would be dissolved following the expected Jordan-Iraqi federation.

Some Department officials believed that if Iraq remains in the pact, the new federation would be highly vulnerable to propaganda charges that it was merely a "front" for Western imperialism and that its failure would be ensured. But these officials nevertheless concede that the proposed union offers "some tantalizing opportunities for new approaches to old problems that long seemed insoluble."

It would provide in Iraq a firm Arab anchor for London, and it might open the way finally for the solution of the Arab refugee problem.

Baghdad Nations To Pool Air Knowledge

KARACHI, Thursday (Reuter). — Air Force chiefs of Pakistan, Persia, Iraq and Turkey have decided to share their "knowledge and experience, and render help to each other to increase and strengthen the defensive ability of the four air forces," it was announced last night.

Lt.-Gen. Suphi Gokar of Turkey flew back to Ankara today, while the chiefs of the Persian and Iraqi air forces had left earlier.

An Air Force Headquarters communique said the four chiefs considered "requirements and needs of one another, and suggested ways and means to overcome difficulties through mutual cooperation and assistance."

U.S. Seizes Egyptian Narcotics Smugglers

JERSEY CITY N.J., Thursday (UP). — Five Egyptian merchant seamen were in Hudson County jail today on charges of smuggling narcotics into the U.S.

The seamen, being held on $5,000 bail each, will appear for a preliminary hearing next Wednesday on charges that they brought narcotics into the U.S. between July 23, 1957, and February 8, 1958. Federal agents arrested them on Tuesday at a Jersey City pier, where their ship, Mohammed Ali El Kabir, is docked.

Ike Takes Vacation

WASHINGTON, Thursday (UP). — President Eisenhower left today for a 10-day vacation in south Georgia, in hopes that golf, quail shooting and rest will wipe away the traces of a sore throat and hoarse voice.

He was accompanied by Mrs. Eisenhower, and will stay at the plantation of former Secretary of Treasury George M. Humphrey, just outside Thomasville. Yesterday the President started working on a foreign aid speech which he is to deliver on February 25.

CHINESE CONGRESS VOTES FOR A-B-C

TOKYO, Thursday (UP). — China's National Peoples Congress approved the 26-lettered Latin Alphabet in its closing session on Tuesday, the New China news agency reported.

Bar-Yehuda Asks for National Pooling of Municipal Rates

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — The Minister of Interior, Mr. Israel Bar-Yehuda, today called for the pooling of rates collected by local authorities and their allocation according to local needs in order to assure a minimum standard in local services.

Mr. Bar-Yehuda was addressing a meeting of the heads of local authorities here today.

Mr. Bar-Yehuda did not rule out the possibility of increases in local rates, but said that they must be determined in keeping with local conditions. He claimed that local authorities were in fact lowering rates by leaving their level unchanged, since their actual monetary value had decreased.

Local authorities were taking the easy way out, and expecting the Government to cover losses, he claimed. He called for greater efficiency and reductions in unessential expenditure. He also proposed levying a compulsory long-term loan on each new dwelling over 60 sq.m. floor space as an additional source of municipal income.

Tel Aviv Mayor Haim Levanon opposed this suggestion on behalf of the meeting claiming that building contractors would only pass on the compulsory loan to the flat purchasers and also limit new flats to 59 sq. m.

Mayor Abba Khoushi of Haifa deplored the outcry against the proposed rise in rates "as artificial, as they are even lower than Histadrut dues." He could see no choice other than higher rates in Haifa unless additional Government aid was forthcoming. Local authorities had less autonomy and less Government support than in any Western country, he said.

Earlier on in the day, the Finance Minister, Mr. Levi Eshkol, told Histadrut Local Authority heads that, "No extra funds are available." You will have to cut your outlay, and raise taxes, he said.

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Central Sumatra Is Virtually Isolated

JAKARTA, Thursday (Reuter). — Jakarta Radio said today that Air Force planes had dropped pamphlets over rebellious Central Sumatra, asking for the understanding of the people and urging them to maintain vigilance.

A message from Maj.-Gen. Abdul Haris Nasution, Army Chief of Staff, said the Government was trying to localize events in Central Sumatra.

Nasution has ordered the arrest of four defiant colonels, dishonourably discharged from the army for "endangering" the security of the nation. The colonels had joined with dissident politicians in the anti-Communist junta, demanding that the Sukarno Cabinet resign by Saturday — one day before the President is due to return from Japan.

One of the defiant officers, Col. Jambek, declared over Padang Radio that he and three comrades "would not retreat one step." The rebel radio is broadcasting messages in English as well as Indonesian, but the turbulent province is now in virtual isolation.

Telephone lines between Jakarta and Padang were cut by the postal service headquarters, and only Air Force planes are allowed to fly over the territory.

Moscow Radio has reported that Russia has officially informed Indonesia she supports her claim to sovereignty over the seas between the islands of the Indonesian Archipelago, and her decision to establish a 12-mile zone around Indonesia. China has already announced support for Indonesia in the claim, which is disputed by Britain, the U.S., France, Australia, New-Zealand, Holland and Japan.

Russians Claim Antarctic Success

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter). — Moscow Radio claimed today that Russia's Antarctic team has "conquered the Pole of Inaccessibility," the largest and most desolate area on earth so far unexplored.

The radio said a tractor and sledge team of the Soviet Antarctic Expedition set up base in the region almost 2,000 kilometres from the nearest Antarctic coast — on February 10.

The Pole of Inaccessibility is the point farthest from any Antarctic Coast.

The Radio said the base — 3,700 metres above sea level — would be called "Sovietsraya."

Moscow Radio said the "conquest of the region" was a major achievement for Soviet scientists who would have to endure possible temperatures of 80 to 85 degrees below zero. The Soviet news agency TASS said five scientists would spend the winter at the station.

U.S. Studies Peking Note to Korea Forces

WASHINGTON, Thursday (UP). — American officials said today that "at first reading" the recent Chinese proposal for withdrawal of all foreign military forces from Korea appeared unacceptable.

They said the Chinese Note, relayed to Washington on Tuesday by the British, seemed to be merely a reiteration of a series of proposals which the Peking Government made at Geneva in 1954, and which the Western powers rejected at that time.

The State Department spokesman, Mr. Lincoln White, said "We are having a good hard look at it," but declined to comment further.

Lodge Hands Nehru Letter from Ike

NEW DELHI, Thursday (Reuter). — Mr. Henry Cabot Lodge, the U.S. Permanent Representative at the United Nations, today called on Premier Nehru and handed him a personal letter from President Eisenhower. Mr. Lodge arrived yesterday for a six-day visit.

Mr. Nehru and President Ho Chi Minh of North Vietnam, now visiting India, said today that an early high-level meeting was "eminently desirable for the maintenance of peace."

In a joint communique issued here they said the meeting should be called to end nuclear and thermonuclear tests, achieve progressive disarmament, and lessen world tensions.

Finance Minister In India Resigns

NEW DELHI, Thursday (Reuter). — Finance Minister Krishnamachari has resigned, it was announced today.

His resignation follows a report by a one-man judicial commission which found investments made by the state-owned Life Insurance Corporation in a private group of companies were unsound.

Premier Nehru said in a letter accepting Mr. Krishnamachari's resignation that he himself would take temporary charge of the finance portfolio.

Social & Personal

The President yesterday received Mr. Philip Namburg, President of the Agricultural Society, and Mr. Charles Jordan, Director of the AJDC in Europe.

The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi also received members of the Beit Hardudim Committee of Kfar Avihail.

The President yesterday visited Mevaseret Yerushalayim, accompanied by the Director-General of the Ministry of Labour, Mr. Y. Ilsar, and the police commander of the Jerusalem District, Mr. Levi Avrahami.

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The Prime Minister, Mr. David Ben-Gurion, on Wednesday received Mr. Phairo Jayanama, the Minister of Thailand. The Thai Minister and Mrs. Jayanama yesterday gave a luncheon in honour of Mrs. Golda Meir, the Foreign Minister. Present were Mr. Walter Eytan, Director General of the Foreign Ministry, Egun-Abuf Y. Carmel, Aide to the President, and senior officials of the Foreign Ministry and their ladies.

The Thai Minister yesterday visited Hadassah medical and educational institutions in Jerusalem.

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The Minister of Transport, Mr. Moshe Carmel, yesterday visited Haifa Port, inspecting new port equipment and passenger terminal hall facilities.

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The International Cooperative Alliance delegation consisting of Mr. M. Brot, Mr. W. F. Watkins and Miss G. P. Polley visited the Workers Bank in Tel Aviv yesterday and were received by Messrs. A. Zabarsky and N. L. Lifschitz.

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At the general meeting of the Society of Friends of the Bezalel National Museum in Jerusalem, a new Committee was elected which includes Dr. J. Leron (Chairman), Mr. R. Shari and Dr. R. Eytan (Deputy Chairmen) and Mr. S. Adler-Rudel (Treasurer).

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The annual meeting of the Israel and British Commonwealth Association held on Wednesday night elected Mr. Max Seligman, Chairman, Dr. Menachem Dolan, Vice-Chairman, Mr. Uziel Ellern, Treasurer, and Mr. Alex Epstein, Secretary. A film on Japan was shown through the courtesy of the Japanese Minister, Mr. M. K. Negishi. Dr. Max Flesch gave a lecture on Japan.

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Mr. Adolf Ebner has left for Europe for a short business trip.

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Mrs. E. N. Mohl, who returned in the s.s. Israel, is residing at Beit Jules, 9 Tel Manch, Ahuza, Haifa.

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The Israel Rheumatic Fever Society will hold its annual ball tomorrow night at the King David Hotel, Jerusalem.

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EXPRESSION OF SYMPATHY

The doctors, nurses and staff of the Hadassah clinic and the Dermatology Department, Jerusalem, wish to express their deepfelt sympathy to Professor F. Sagher on the death of his mother.

Gov't Law Clerks To Earn More

Graduates of law schools who are doing their clerkship in Government offices will have their salaries raised on April 1 from IL.80 to IL.75 a month, it was learned yesterday in Jerusalem.

Several subcommittees of the Legal Council are discussing plans to reduce the financial burden of the lengthy and poorly compensated in-training period. At present, articled clerks must work 30 hours a week for two years before qualifying. This makes it difficult for them to obtain outside work to support themselves during that period.

One suggestion is to lengthen the period of training from two to three years, but to reduce the weekly quota of hours from 30 to 20.

Tories Lose Seat In By-Election

ROCHDALE, England, Thursday (Reuter). — The Labour Party captured the Government's Parliamentary seat in a by-election here yesterday, the Conservative candidate coming last in a three-cornered fight.

The result announced early today was: Mr. Jack McCann (Labour) 22,153 votes; Mr. Ladovic Kennedy (Liberal) 17,603 votes; Mr. John Parkinson (Conservative) 9,827 votes, Labour majority — 4,550.

It was the Government's second by-election loss since it took office in 1955. The first was the loss of a seat to a Labour candidate at North Lewisham, London, over a year ago.

Conservatives held Rochdale in 1955 with a majority of only 1,500 votes in a straight fight with Labour. The party realized that with the splitting of the right-wing vote by a Liberal, it had only a faint chance of keeping the Socialist out.

Liberals Gain

The state of parties in the 630-seat House of Commons now becomes: Conservatives and allies — 335; Labour—279; Liberals—6; Independents 9; Vacant seats—2.

The result, with the Liberal runner-up collecting nearly twice the votes given to the Conservatives, came as a major shock to the Government party. Government popularity has slumped consistently in by-elections over the past 12 months. Many disgruntled Conservatives, reluctant to turn Socialist, have given their votes to alternative third candidates, usually Liberals.

But the surprise of the election was the spectacular Liberal vote — one of the biggest of recent times. Politicians believe the heavy Liberal poll vote was largely a personal tribute for Mr. Kennedy — a former television news reader — and his wife — Miss Moira Shearer, the ballerina and filmstar ("Red Shoes"), who helped him in his campaign.

Six Films Banned Last Year

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israelis had their pick of 404 foreign films to see during 1957, it is learned from the Film Censorship Board.

No local full-length films were made last year. But 60 short advertisement and promotional films were made as compared with 20 in 1956.

Of the foreign films, six were banned, 17 were cut by the Board, and 93 were restricted to adults only.

The banned films were:

"The Congress Dances," produced in Austria, and rejected because its director, Franz Antel, was and is an avowed Nazi;

"Mam'selle Striptease," a French film, for "excessive nudity";

"Gates of China," U.S., for unwarranted cruelty;

"A Girl in the Kremlin," U.S., for being likely to "harm relations with a country with which Israel has diplomatic relations;"

"The Human Beast," Mexican, for cruelty and brutality;

"The Battle of the River Plate," depicting the battle of the Graf Spee, for its pro-Nazi content (ban later lifted).

U.K. Seeks to Avoid Disputes in Antarctic

By GERDA L. COHEN
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON, Thursday. — The announcement yesterday that Britain has a plan for the internationalization of the Antarctic continent indicates the intention to avert international disputes and exploitation for military ends of the 6m. square-mile area.

Britain is eliciting the support of Australia and New Zealand for the plan, which envisages the establishment of an international commission consisting of the five powers now claiming the territory, plus the U.S. and Russia, which do not recognise any sovereignty over the various sectors.

The five powers are Britain, New Zealand, Australia, Argentina and Chile.

The last two may be included in the commission. They stake overlapping claims in the British sector. The proposal entails Britain's renunciation of the Falkland Islands after half a century of administration.

Diplomatic circles assume that there is little likelihood of the U.S. vacating her bases planted at the South Pole and in the Commonwealth sectors, nor would Russia abandon her foothold in the Australian area. Antarctica's theoretical division is now clearly outmoded, and the British press has welcomed the initiative.

Standard Food Bill Formulated

A standard food draft law aimed at ensuring the quality of food products has been presented to the Cabinet, Mr. A. Halevy, Director of Food in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, announced at a recent meeting of the Consumers' Council, attached to the Ministry.

The bill was formulated with the assistance of a U.N. expert and is partly based on the experience of various progressive countries.

Mr. Halevy said that food exhibitions would be held and that names of manufacturers of both sub-standard and superior products would be published, in order to promote high standards and exert pressure on unsatisfactory producers.

ORT Lab. Assistant School for Ramat Gan

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — A training school for laboratory assistants is to be built by the Ramat Gan Municipality for ORT this year. The school will train assistants in medical, dental and industrial chemical laboratories, it was announced at a press tour of ORT establishments this week.

Laboratory assistants are now trained at ORT's Ramat Gan school but space there is limited. The number of new applicants for this — the only centre of its kind in Israel—was 300 this year, but only 30 could be accepted.

COIN. — An ancient Greek silver coin was sold in London on Wednesday for £3,200, said to be a world record price for such a collector's piece. The coin, a tetradrachm of Amphipolis (424-358 B.C.) bears a head of Apollo.

Expedition to Seek King Croesus' City

ITHACA, New York, Thursday (Reuter).—An American expedition to seek the ruins of the ancient Turkish city once ruled by the fabulous King Croesus, was announced today by Cornell and Harvard Universities, joint sponsors of the 2-year project.

The expedition will leave this summer for the site of the ancient city, known as Sardis, about 104 kms. inland from Izmir (Smyrna) on the west coast of Turkey.

FUCHS HALFWAY TO SCOTT BASE

WELLINGTON, Thursday (Reuter).—Dr. Vivian Fuchs' trans-Antarctic expedition has covered 170 kms. since leaving Depot 700, and has reached "Midway Depot," the halfway point between the South Pole and Scott Base.

Dr. Fuchs has been forced to maintain radio silence for seven days owing to atmospheric disturbances. He radioed today that his two leading snowcat tractors had covered 170 kms. from Depot 700 to "Midway Depot" in 43 hours.

El Al Opens Office In Amsterdam Town

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

AMSTERDAM—

In what must be one of the narrowest houses in the centre of Amsterdam — at the Rokin no. 40 — El Al officially opened its first town office in Amsterdam last week. Until now, the airline had an office at Schiphol Airport only.

With the expected big increase in passenger traffic owing to the putting into operation of the Bristol Britannias and in view of the Tenth Anniversary Year, the addition of an Amsterdam town office does not come too soon.

In his newly renovated rooms, El Al's manager in Holland, Mr. Giora Navon, was host to scores of well-wishers including the Israel Minister to Holland, the Israel Consul in Amsterdam, representatives of the Amsterdam Municipality, the Chairman of the Netherlands-Israel Chamber of Commerce and many local travel agents.

Most of them had to walk only a few steps to attend the reception, as the new El Al office is situated in the very heart of the Amsterdam travel agency world.

Alert After Being In 'Space' for 5 Days

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Thursday (Reuter). — Donald Farrell, 22-year-old American airman, now in his fifth day of a make-believe trip to the moon in an hermetically sealed cabin, is surprising scientists with his alertness and lack of boredom.

The young airman entered his cramped cabin on Sunday, planning to stay sealed up for a week while scientists studied his reactions to the conditions which would face man on a trip to the moon.

Shortly after Farrell went to sleep last night an emergency bell in his cabin rang, indicating that his oxygen supply was broken. Scientists reported he noted the signal and had his emergency gas mask on in 10 seconds.

U.K. Police Foil Daring Bank Robbery Attempt

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter). — Police cars went to a bank in suburban Colindale last night to foil one of the most audacious bank robbery attempts in the annals of British crime.

The story started in the afternoon, when a man knocked at the door of the bank manager's home and said he had injured himself and wanted a glass of water. Admitted by Mrs. Baker, the manager's wife, he drew a gun, tied her up and then telephoned the bank saying he was a doctor and that Mrs. Baker had been taken ill. He asked if Mr. Baker would come home.

When the latter arrived, he too was tied up. Finding the manager did not have the bank keys on him, the intruder telephoned the bank again. He said Mr. Baker had been shocked by the news of his wife and suggested that the other employees should come to the house. Shortly afterwards two bank employees arrived. They were also tied up. The man then helped himself to their keys and left the house, presumably for the bank.

A little later, one of the bank employees freed his bonds and telephoned the police. Patrol cars rushed to the bank and found the front door open, but with nothing missing. The gunman had apparently been disturbed before he could take anything.

Lords Say Spain Can't Join NATO

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter) — Lord Mosford, Foreign Under-Secretary, said last night any suggestion that Spain should join NATO would bring "an instantaneous veto" from members of that organization. He was replying to a House of Lords debate in which Lord Windlesham, a Liberal, and some Conservative peers urged that Spain should be included for strategic reasons.

Lord Stanagate (Labour) said the "prime leader of Fascism in Europe" should not be invited to join an organization existing to guard the free world.

Lord Gosford said membership of NATO required a unanimous vote by its members, and he knew one or two countries would be likely to oppose Spain's entry. To raise this matter in NATO now would put strains on the organization which could do it unnecessary harm.

Lord Windlesham's motion that Spain should be invited to join NATO was rejected without a vote.

Guatemala Elects Fuentes President

GUATEMALA CITY, Thursday (Reuter). — General Miguel Ydigoras Fuentes, leader of the Right-Wing National Democratic Reconciliation Party, was yesterday elected President of Guatemala. He will take office on March 2, succeeding General Castillo Armas, assassinated last July.

General Ydigoras Fuentes topped the poll in a three-cornered election last month, but did not win an absolute majority. He was elected yesterday as the result of a poll of Congress Deputies. Voting was 40 for him and 18 for Colonel Jose Luis Cruz Salazar, leader of the Democratic Coalition Party, who was runner-up in the popular election.

Rothschild Hospital Gets New Ward

HAIFA, Thursday. — A new general ward with 27 beds has been opened at the Rothschild Municipal Hospital. It is housed in the new wing, construction of which was completed 18 months ago. The opening was postponed because of budget difficulties.

Three of the hospital's department heads are retiring this month. They are the surgeon, Dr. D. Peiser; the gynaecologist, Dr. R. Hotels, and the head of the children's ward, Dr. B. Ostrovsky.

PAINTER. — The French painter, Georges Rouault, last of the great masters of the Paris school, died at his home yesterday, aged 86.

Easy Win Seen For League Leaders

By KEITH REECHER

National League leaders, Tel Aviv Maccabi, appear before their supporters tomorrow following their 8-1 triumph over Tel Aviv Betar last week and look certain for a win over lowly placed Petah Tikva Maccabi. Their fans will be out in strength to see if "Thor" Ginzer can repeat his four goals effort of last week.

Second placed Petah Tikva Hapoel have a tough assignment at Natanya against the local Maccabi side, and this should be the game of the day. Only two points separate the sides and Natanya's home advantage may be the deciding factor. Meanwhile, Jerusalem Hapoel, who stand on level points with the Petah Tikva team, seem booked for an easy win over their clubmates from Haifa, in one of the games slated for the Capital.

Haifa's top card game brings their Maccabi set-up against Tel Aviv Betar, who are now only above Kfar Saba Hapoel at the foot of the table, and the Haifaites should gain maximum points and stay up with the leaders. Tel Aviv Hapoel too, who entertain Kfar Saba, should make sure of their points and maintain their recent good form.

An interesting even game should be seen at Ramat Gan, where the local Hapoelites face Jaffa Maccabi. Both sides are about level in the table and have fast-moving attacks.

League 'A' Lead Safe

Mahane Yehuda Hapoel's top spot in League A should not be affected by their visit to Afula Hapoel, although their goals against figures do not show the sort of defence that a promotion aspiring side should have. The Capital's second game brings second placed Jerusalem Betar, only one point behind the leaders, up against Tel Aviv Shimshon, who lie in fourth place, but only one point behind too. A win for the hosts is essential if they want to be in the running for promotion, while one for the visitors could take them up to second place. Kiryat Haim Hapoel, in third position with 12 points, cannot be left out of the picture. Rehovot Maccabi, however, come to them after a great 4-all away draw with Mahane Yehuda. In this League, only three points separate the first six sides, while even some of the lowly placed teams have games in hand. A win or loss can change the whole picture of Table positions here.

FIXTURES: National League: Netanya Mac. vs. Petah T. Hap.; Jlem. Hap. vs. Haifa Hap.; T.A. Mac. vs. Petah T. Mac.; Ramat Gan Hap. vs. Jaffa Mac.; Haifa Mac. vs. T.A. Betar; T.A. Hap. vs. Kfar Saba Hap. LEAGUE A: Hadera Mac. vs. Bnei Yehuda; Kiryat Haim Hap. vs. Rehovot Mac.; Jlem. Betar vs. T.A. Shimshon; Hadera Hap. vs. Sha'arayim Mac.; Rehovot Hap. vs. T.A. Hakoah; Afula Hap. vs. Mahane Yehuda Hap.

Illegal Employment Of Youths

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Only half of the 13,035 boys of high school age (14 to 18) issued with work permits during 1957 underwent medical examinations, although this is required by law, it was learned yesterday from Ministry of Labour sources.

It was stated that the staff of the District Health offices, and Kupat Holim, cannot keep up with the demand for these examinations.

It is learned that the 40-hour work week and the eight-hour day are frequently violated, especially by small plants and workshops.

During 1957, the Ministry filed complaints against 27 employers, generally for employing the youngsters above the permitted quota of hours, but sometimes for night work.

Religious Services

Sabbath begins in Jerusalem at 4.47 p.m. tonight and ends at 5.52 p.m. tomorrow

JERUSALEM

Yeshurun Synagogue: Tonight: Minha, 5.05 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8 a.m.; Minha, 4.30 p.m.; Arvit, 5.55 p.m.

Ezrat Ve'Emunas (Gan Sahaviya): Tonight, 5 p.m. Tomorrow, Shahrit, 8.15 a.m.

Italian Synagogue (Hillel St.): Tonight, 5.05 p.m.

TEL AVIV

Beth Israel (96 Rehov Dizengoff) — Tonight, 5.05 p.m. Tomorrow, Shahrit, 5.30 a.m.

Ihud Shivat Zion (47 Rehov Ben Yehuda): — Tonight: 5.1o p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit: 6.15 and 8.30 a.m.; Minha, 5.05 p.m.

Beit Ramaze (5 Rehov Nathan Straus): — Tonight: 5.15 p.m.; Tomorrow: Shahrit 8 a.m.; Minha, 5.15 p.m.

"Tiferet Bet" (9 Harzaza Cohen St.): — Tonight: 5.10 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.15 a.m. Cantor L. Glass and Choir.

HAIFA

Mevlah Congregation (15 Rehov Miryat Sefer, Ahuza): — Shahrit, 10 a.m.

RAMAT GAN

Hathia Synagogue: Tonight: 5.25 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8 a.m.; Minha, 5.15 p.m.; Arvit, 5.57 p.m.

Shiloh Synagogue (Ohel Shem Gymnasium): — Tonight: 5.20 p.m.; Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8.30 a.m.

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000 to about 64,000 men and the Western European Union Council had agreed to a further reduction to 55,000 during the coming year.

Western Power Increases

The report added that the overall superiority of the West was likely to increase rather than diminish as a consequence of the advent of medium-range ballistic rockets. These weapons, against which there is at present no answer, could be launched from sites in Europe and elsewhere and "dominate practically every target of importance in the Soviet Union."

For geographical reasons, Russia's possession of rockets of equal range would not give her any corresponding strategic advantage. "It would be of no use for her to attack Western Europe unless she could simultaneously knock out the vital strategic air bases in the U.S. She could at present have no reasonable hope of achieving this with manned bombers, and it will still take her several years to complete the development of an accurate intercontinental rocket and produce it in sufficient numbers," the report said.

"Even then there could be no certainty of the success of an attack. Moreover, by that time the U.S., which has now also successfully launched an artificial satellite, will have intercontinental rockets also."

The report said there was no military reason why a world war should not be prevented for another generation or more through the balancing fears of mutual annihilation, and, in fact, there was no reason why all this should not go on almost indefinitely.

Other points in the report were:

The estimated cost of the 1958/59 British defence effort is £1,418m. This compares with last year's estimated figure of £1,420m.

In addition to her contribution to the Western nuclear deterrent and NATO forces, Britain was at present maintaining more than 100,000 servicemen in the Far East and the Middle East.

In view of Russia's formidable submarine force, the British Government is concentrating the Royal Navy's efforts to an increasing extent on the anti-submarine role.

Britain proposes to maintain a balanced all-purpose fleet of appreciable strength east of Suez so that it can discharge her obligations to SEATO and the Baghdad Pact and fulfil her independent military commitments in that area.

Tel Aviv Stock Market

FEBRUARY 13, 1958

Pop. Loan 1955/58 (IL.25)	109
6% Comp. Loan 55/57	97
5½% Comp. Loan	94
4½% War Loan 54/58	—
Pal. Bracon Gds. Sec.	94
3½% Trust Dollar 51	93
6% Reg. Sterling 52	93
Dpf. (Loan Bonds 6% 57)	93
4½% Dev. Bonds 57	93
4½% Dev. Bonds 58	93
6½% Loan G. Debs. 57	97
6½% Loan G. Debs. 58	97
Pal. Elec. prof. sh. (Lots.)	97
6% Bonds 52/62 57	10
ditto 58	10
Koors Haywood	
6½% Deb. 52/62 57	98
ditto 58	10
6% Deb. 52/62 57	96
ditto 58	96
Israeli Ltd.	
6½% Deb. 52/62 57	10
Ramee 6½% Deb. 52/64	
Class "A" 57	97
Class "B" 57	10
Sh. Loans ord. sh.	10
Discov Savings Cert '58	9
Sh. Loans Investment	
Ord. sh. "B" reg.	10
4½ ord "B" sh.	77
"Mordechai" ord. "B"	77
7% cum. Debs. 52/62	76
"Tera" ord. sh.	10
Pal. Cold St. ord. sh. reg.	13
Pass 6% Debs. 52/64 reg.	10
Binat 6% debs. 52/62	10
Mir 5% pref. sh.	9
Gen. Mortg. Bk. ord. sh.	77
Hapoa 6% pref. ord. sh.	4
I.L.B.C. ord. sh. reg.	7
7% debs	77
Ath. Pal Inv. ord. sh.	61
Moller ord. sh. reg.	113
Pal. Brewery 8% cum. debs	10
Assia Beinayim "B" sh.	7
Hasher C.I. debs. "A" 52/64	11
Pal. Potash "A" ord. sh.	6
Dead Sea Works	
7% Deb. reg.	21
Potash ord. sh. "C"	11
Mehorot pref. sh.	77
Jordan Esplorations Co. Ord. sh. reg.	9

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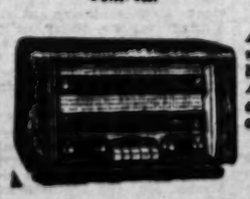

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In view of the expected large number of requests for Special Post Office Cancellation and Advertising Marks for the Tenth Anniversary Year, all persons and institutions interested in submitting proposals for the issue of such Franking Marks for the period April 1, 1958 to March 31, 1960, (Tenth Anniversary Year 1958/59), are requested to send the same to the Director of the Philatelic Service, P.O.B. 806, Tel Aviv, not later than March 31, 1958.

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INDEPENDENCE DAY STAMP

The Post Office takes pleasure in announcing the issue, as in previous years, of an Independence Day Stamp. The stamp, which will be issued some time before Independence Day, is of the denomination of 400 prutа.

Standing orders will be accepted at the Philatelic Service up to Friday, February 21, 1958. Standing orders received after the above date will be valid only with regard to the new series issued after the issue of the Independence Day Stamp.

During the period between the issue of the Independence Day Stamp and that of the Holidays Series which will be issued in August, 1958, the Post Office will print several other stamps portraying various aspects of the Tenth Anniversary Year.

The attention of the public is drawn to the fact that changes in standing orders for the above stamp and for other stamps which will be issued after Independence Day, will be accepted only up to February 21, 1958. Because of technical difficulties the Philatelic Service will not be able to comply with changes requested after that date. A further announcement concerning the changing of standing orders will be published after the issue of the holiday stamps.

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TODAY

JERUSALEM

• **Bus:**—
Jerusalem Biblical Soc. 3.30-5. Tomorrow 10-5.

• **Exhibitions:**—
1) Permanent: Exhibition of Jewish Ceremonial Art. 2) Ancient Pottery from various civilizations from the museum's collections 3) A preview of Primitive Sculpture. 4) Paintings by Yves Dendal. 5) Paintings and drawings by Ferré (Gudmundur Gudmundsson), Bezalel, 9-1. Tomorrow, 10-1.

Permanent Exhibition of Antiquities. Recent finds: marble statue of Nemesis. Department of Antiquities 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech, 9-1. Tomorrow, 10-1.

Oil paintings by Samuel Ra'ayani; oil paintings and drawings by Lea Majaro-Mintz. Jerusalem Artists House, 10-1. Tomorrow, 10-1.

• **Tours:**—
Hebrew University Conducted Tour (in English), daily 10 a.m. Administration Bldg., New University Campus. Every Tuesday leaving Administration Bldg. 11 a.m. A visit to Hebrew University Hadassah Medical School in New Medical Centre. Ein Karem. Phone (until Monday) 42560 for bookings.

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• **Theatre:**—
Habimah, "The Egg," 8.30. "Throw Him To The Dogs." 9.30
Cameri, "The Shoemaker's Wife" Mograbi, 8. "Romeo and Juliet," New Hall, 8.
Ohel, "Eldorado," 8.
• **Madrigals:**—
16th and 17th Century and Bach from "The Well-Tempered Clavier" by F. Peltog, Museum, 8.30

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• **Exhibitions:**—
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RAMAT GAN

Kolo, National Yugoslav Ensemble, Rama. Last two parts, 8.30-9.

TOMORROW

JERUSALEM

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• **Folk Dancing:**—
Beit Hillel, 4 Balfour 3.30 p.m.

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• **Tours:**—
Tourist Service, (7-9); Drawings by Meir Ronnen (10-1).

• **Circus:**—
Medrano, Malchei Yisrael, 3 p.m. Tomorrow, two perfs. 6, 9.30

HAIFA

• **Tourist Services:**—
Visit Hadassah Club, 37 Jerusalem Street, Tel. 4976.

• **Theatre:**—
Ohel, "The Adventures of Hirshele of Ostropol," Bamatanu, Armon, 9.30.

REHOVOT

• **Concert:**—
Recital of Vera Lengyel (piano) & Yoshua Salamanca (violin), Beit Gordon, 8.30

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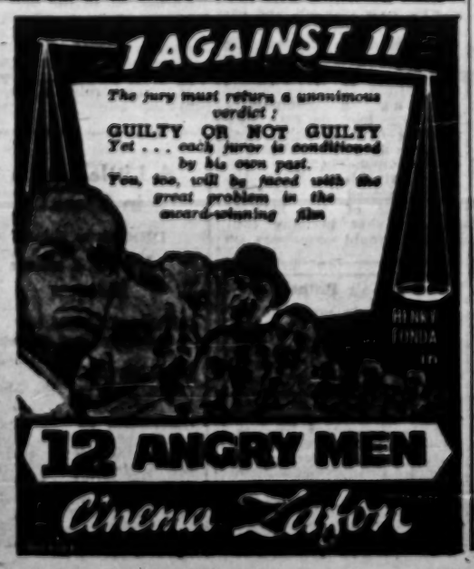
Tourist Service, (7-9); Drawings by Meir Ronnen (10-1); 4-9) Yiddish Comedy with Dinah Halpern (8.30 and 9 p.m.); American Documentary Films (3 and 9.30 p.m.).

COMING EVENTS

HABIMAH

Feb. 15 — "The Egg," Tel Aviv, (Auspices of Tel Aviv-Jaffa Workers Council), 8 p.m. "Throw Him To The Dogs.", Kfar Saba, 8 p.m.
Feb. 17 — "Throw Him To The Dogs," Tel Aviv, 8 p.m. "The Egg," Afula, 8 p.m.
Feb. 18 — "Throw Him To The Dogs," Tel Aviv, (for Union of Tel Aviv-Yafo Municipality Workers), 6 p.m. "The Egg," Afula, 8 p.m.
Feb. 19 — "The Egg," Tel Aviv, 8 p.m. "Throw Him To The Dogs," Kiryat Haim, 8 p.m.
Feb. 20 — "Mirele Efros," Tel Aviv, 8 p.m. "Throw Him To The Dogs," Tel Aviv, 8 p.m. "The Egg," Hadera, Armon, 8.30, 9.30.



EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

TONIGHT

JERUSALEM: Meir, 45 Yaffo, 4152; Vitan, 30 Mea Shearim, 61243.
TEL AVIV: Meishari, 50 Sheinkin, 3502; Kastel, 147 Ibn Gabirol, 27118; Kitalevitz, 23 Bayar-Nave, 3886; Ben Yehuda, 144 Ben Yehuda, 38585; Elva, Hatikva Quarter, 67402. JAFFA: El Kamal, 65 Rehov 4, 82361. RAMAT GAN: Hatichon, 86 Hatichon, Ramat Yitzhak, 71949. BISHON LEZION: Kobo, 3 Pinsker. REHOVOT: Levinsky, 170 Herzl, 96-1091. BOLON: Rivak, Kikar Struma. HAVATSA: Geva.
HAIFA: Rofeh, 1 Masada, 3280; Mano, 107 Moriah, 63621.

TOMORROW

JERUSALEM: Amudim, Binyan Ha'amudim, Rehov Yaffo, 3281; Valero, German Colony, near Semadar Cinema, 4740.
TEL AVIV (8 a.m.-9 p.m.): Abramski, 42 Allenby, 5536; Shur, 54 King George, 60261; Hagalil, 80 Ben Yehuda, 83611; Yaari, 67 Yehuda Halevy, 63474; Sanitas, 82 Ibn Gabirol. JAFFA: Sa'ad, 24 Sderot Yerushalayim, 81445.
TEL AVIV (9-12 p.m.): Magen David, 35 Allenby, 58426; Gilead, 192 Dizengoff, 24284; Seidner, 51 Ahad Ha'am, 3551; Greenberg, 48 King George, 58308. JAFFA: Sa'ad, 24 Sderot Yerushalayim, 81445.
RAMAT GAN: Orion, 19 Arlosoroff, 71491. PETAH TIKVA: Fishbein, 4 Hafetz Haim. REHOVOT: Levinsky, 170 Herzl, 96-1091. BOLON: Tikva, Kikar Struma. SHIK HATAMYA: Geva.
HAIFA: Rashi, 26 Bar Giora, 66266; Moriah, 48 Moriah, 61009.

EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS

TONIGHT

JERUSALEM: Dr. Kratka, 25 Abarbanel, 5697; Dr. Oren, 65 Agrippas, 6479; Dr. Tryfus, 33 King George, 3268.
TEL AVIV: Dr. Shoham, 3 Syrkin, 28945.

TOMORROW

JERUSALEM: Dr. Grossvald, 23 Yehoshua Bin-Nun, 42562; Dr. Abalos, 19 Dorshkin, 3693; Dr. Shor, 45 Rashi.
TEL AVIV: Dr. Shoham, 3 Syrkin, 28945.
HAIFA: Dr. Sherman, 6 Hanviim, Neve (day

Today's Postbag

The Weather

FORECAST: Generally fair with chance of isolated showers over eastern hills.

Outlook for Saturday: The same.

Weather Synopsis: Low barometric pressure over Middle East seems stationary.

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Mt. Cana'an	60	8	17	15
Tiberias	62	12	18	19
Haifa Port	67	10	19	10
Natanya	61	10	20	11
Tel Aviv Kirya	71	8	19	12
Tel Aviv Port	69	10	18	12
Lydda Airport	69	4	19	20
Jerusalem	33	10	16	16
Beersheba	64	6	19	20
Sdom	—	11	—	—
Eilat	20	11	25	25

*A) Humidity at 8 p.m. B) Maximum temp. yesterday. C) Maximum yesterday. D) Maximum temp. expected today.

ARRIVALS

Prof. Yisrael Efros, Rector of the Tel Aviv University (by Sabena).

Mr. Helmu Frundenthal, the conductor, from a concert tour in Scandinavia, Germany, Austria and Greece, (by Sabena)

Mr Reuven Avidar, the Director of the Bond Drive office in Uruguay, and Mrs. Avidar, for consultations with Government officials and home leave.

DEPARTURES

Mr. John Haggerty, head of the U.S. Operation Mission in Israel, for consultations with his Government, (by B.E.A.).

Messrs. David Hacohen, M.K., Simha Golan and Ya'acov Zur, of the Solel Boneh management, for France for negotiations with French companies, (by Air Al).

Colonel Ottavio Di Ciapia, Military Attache at the Italian Embassy, for Istanbul, after completing his tour of duty (by Al Al).

Mr. Sydney Einfeld, President of the Executive Committee of Australian Jewry, and Mrs. Einfeld, for Tokyo, after a two-week visit (by Air France).

Mr. Zvi Yehieli, of the Zim Navigation Co., for Tokyo to join the Israel economic mission headed by the Minister of Commerce, Mr. P. Sapir, (by Air France).

M. Marcel Bijoux, in charge of French language instruction abroad, on behalf of the French Government, for the Far East, after a short visit, (by Air France)

THE OFFICE of the David Yellin School, near Central Carmel, Haifa, was broken into on Tuesday night and just over IL200 in cash stolen from a cupboard.

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A NUMBER of Haifa taxi drivers who refused to pay the municipal parking fee were fined the maximum of IL100 each, in the Municipal Court yesterday.

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AN EVENING art school for adults was opened on Wednesday afternoon at the Wizo Anna Jaffe Vocational School in Nahlat Yitzhak-Givatayim. Courses will be offered in painting, sculpture, lithography, graphic art and design.

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

The Struggle for Independence

FEBRUARY 14, 1948

Another heavy attack by Arabs on the Tel Aviv-Jaffa border area in which gangs of Irgun took part was repulsed by the Haganah.

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A gang of 30 armed Arabs attacked the Safed Government Hospital and disarmed two policemen, one British and one Arab, who were guarding an Arab patient wounded in the engagement between the Army and Syrian invaders two days ago. They went off with the prisoner and took the policemen's arms with them.

IMG Grants for Ein Hod, ZOA House

TEL AVIV, Thursday (USIS). — The 10th and 11th I.M.G. grants were formally awarded today at the U.S. Embassy, when Ambassador Edward B. Lawson presented IL10,000 to the Ein Hod artists' village and IL75,000 to the Z.O.A. House in Tel Aviv.

Ein Hod Councilmen Marcel Janco, Yohanan Simon and Moshe Mokadi accepted the grant, which is to finance the construction of a ceramics kiln.

Z.O.A. House is to establish a bureau of information on America, start classes in English and American literature, finance seminars on American topics and reconstruct the library, theatre and concert hall of the House with the money it received. Mr. Elias Epstein, Director, and Mr. Charles Passman, Chairman of the Management Committee, represented the Z.O.A. House at the ceremony, which was also attended by Dr. Howard Backus, Special Assistant to the Ambassador, and Daniel Doron, Special Cultural Consultant.

Mass Demonstration Against Jerusalem Pool Dispersed

By MAGABEE HASKIN, Jerusalem Post Reporter

Two platoons of Jerusalem Police yesterday evening battled wih batons and water against 2,000 orthodox persons demonstrating against the prospect of mixed bathing in the German Colony swimming pool —which has not yet been completed.

The fight, which raged down Rehov Straus for 300 metres, left in its wake six policemen — including three officers — injured by stone-throwing. The officers are Mr. David Wilk, Assistant District Superintendent of Police, who heads the Jerusalem City District; and First Inspectors Yosef Dahel and (more severely injured) David Tryfus. None required hospitalization.

Police arrested 40 demonstrators, including Rabbi Amram Blau, his son Uri, both Natorei Karta leaders, who on Wednesday received three-week suspended sentences for illegal assembly.

None of the demonstrators was injured, but one woman, Miss Margalit Shilki, who happened to be passing, was hit by a stone and was treated at Hadassah Hospital before being sent home. Some of those arrested were released last night.

Rabbi Blau opened the demonstration with a 30 minute harangue from the steps of the Great Synagogue in the Meah Shearim quarter. Using a loudspeaker which carried his voice through the entire quarter, he recalled (in Yiddish) two incidents in Jewish history where the violation of religious law had led to bloody civil wars. After he finished, a teen-age boy took the microphone and asked the demonstrators "not to allow themselves to be provoked."

The demonstrators drifted up Rehov Meah Shearim, picking up followers as they turned into Rehov Straus. When they reached Rehov Hanevi'im, they were stopped by a chain of policemen, who were reinforced by a Fire Brigade Water Tanker.

Assembly Illegal

Mr. Wilk mounted a police van, declared the assembly illegal, and ordered its participants to disperse peacefully. (Earlier in the day, Mr. Levi Avrahami, District Superintendent of Police, had ordered his men to use force only as a last resort. The policemen were sent out without their side arms, and with their batons in their pockets.)

At 5.40, the police chain moved slowly forward and closed with the crowd, which resisted, cursed and shoved the policemen. The fire hose was turned on, spraying the demonstrators who retreated in disorder under its first impact.

Suddenly, the hose sprung a leak and the policemen themselves were doused with water, which was then turned off.

The hose was partially repaired and the water turned on again. One demonstrator proceeded to walk "uphill" against the full blast of the current, refusing to be knocked down. An irate policeman jumped into the stream and grappled with him. Both fell.

Immediately, 20 demonstrators were on the constable, shouting "Nazi." Other policemen ran forward to rescue their comrade.

The fight now moved slowly up Rehov Straus to the Histadrut building. From a nearby empty lot demonstrators picked up stones and began throwing them. Three window panes in the police vans were smashed.

The police for the first time drew their batons and ran forward scattering the demonstrators, who retreated into Rehov Hayei Adam. They made another brief stand, but gave ground as the water was turned on.

The hose was turned off shortly afterwards when Fire Chief A. Liberman saw that the stream was narrowly missing a high-tension power line.

The main group of demonstrators went home at about 6.30 p.m., leaving small hard-core groups of Natorei Karta alternately singing hymns and throwing stones at the police. One group marched on the Municipality, almost reaching it.

Nissim Denies Nepotism Charge

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim's Office yesterday denied charges to appear today in a publication of the Jerusalem Sephardi Community Committee that he had threatened to launch a "kulturkampf" that would bring Tenth Anniversary celebrations to a standstill. The threat was linked by the publication with the drafting of two of Rabbi Nissim's sons by the Army.

A spokesman for the Chief Rabbi's Office told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that there was "absolutely no truth" in the article. He charged that it was written with malicious intent, following Rabbi Nissim's efforts to "clean up corruption in the Jerusalem Committee," which is headed by Mr. Eliahu Elischar and Mr. David Elton.

The Committee's publication, "Bama'rakha," also called on Rabbi Nissim to resign as Chief Rabbi.

In an article signed by a "special correspondent," the Committee's organ charged that Rabbi Nissim had requested Cabinet Ministers to intervene with the Prime Minister concerning his sons' draft exemptions and that Mr. Moshe Haim Shapiro, Minister for Religious Affairs, had refused to do so.

The article also alleges the Meir Bnayahu and Moshe, two of the Rabbi's sons, committed an act "bordering on distortion" in order to stay out of the Army, Moshe by "lessening" his age and Bnayahu by "increasing" his. It is also charged that the sons were falsely registered as yeshiva students.

In his denial of the charges, the Chief Rabbi's spokesman pointed out that the courts four months ago had ordered the Committee to hand over to new trustees, headed by Rabbi Nissim, all assets and documents of the Balilus Charitable Trust.

Asked whether Chief Rabbi Nissim would bring court action against the Committee, the spokesman said that "Rabbi Nissim has not yet no decision had been taken.

Disciplinary Rulings On Offences Abroad Upheld

The High Court of Justice yesterday ruled that a disciplinary court was authorized to try persons under its authority even if the offence in question was committed outside the country's borders.

The ruling was delivered on a request for the issue of an order *nisi* against the Police Disciplinary Court which sentenced Assistant Superintendent of Police Y. Weiss and Corporal Y. Miller, for offences committed while they were on duty in the Gaza Strip during the Israel occupation last year.

Justice Landau declared in his ruling that a disciplinary court, by its very nature, was not limited by the locality in which the offence was committed, and since the petitioners did not refuse to serve in the Gaza Strip, which was their right if they so wished, they continued to be under the authority of the court.

The President of the Court, Justice Olshan, concurred with the Court's opinion, but reserved judgment on the question of the right of police officers to refuse to serve abroad.

(A summary of the judgment will appear in a subsequent Jerusalem Post Law Report.)

State Controller Official Held for Taking Bribe

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — An official of the State Controller's Office was detained at his home on Tuesday night on suspicion of accepting IL480 in bribes.

The official, Dr. Asriel Frishman, of Ramat Gan, was today released on bond of IL500.

Police stated that Dr. Frishman was allegedly paid by a Jaffa butcher, Mr. S. Danhiger, to speed up the granting of a licence for the reopening of his shop under a new name. Dr. Frishman, who acted as State Controller's representative in the Food Division of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, was said to have asked IL200 for this service, and further payments of IL80 and IL400 after the requested licenses failed to materialize.

B-G to Act In M.D.'s Strike

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Thursday. — The Israel Medical Association announced today that the Prime Minister has replied to its request that he intercede in the wage dispute between IMA members and Kupat Holim.

The communique said that Mr. Ben-Gurion accepted the Association's view that a conflict in a matter affecting human life was undesirable and promised to intercede with Kupat Holim to bring about a solution. However, he appealed to the Association to postpone the warning strike it has scheduled for Tuesday.

The Executive Board of the Medical Association will decide tomorrow whether to defer to the Prime Minister's request.

No comment from Histadrut or Kupat Holim circles was available tonight on either the strike threat or the Prime Minister's reply to the IMA.

Enquiry Group Set Up To Study Bus Co-op Wages

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Thursday.— The Histadrut enquiry commission into the bus cooperatives' wage structure will start work next week. The ten-man body was set up by the Secretariat of Hevrat Ovdim, the Histadrut holding company, and will report back to the Secretariat.

While both Dan and Hamekasher are represented on the commission, Egged is not, owing to rupture of its relations with the Histadrut. The committee is headed by Mr. M. Bar-Tal.

Nevertheless, Egged, though regretting its exclusion, regards the commission as a "good one" and would welcome an invitation to join, it was learned tonight.

First Britannic Tourists Arriving Tomorrow

Some sixty American tourists taking part in the liner Britannic's Mediterranean cruise will be entering Israel through Mandelbaum Gate tomorrow afternoon.

Special arrangements have been made in deference to religious sensibilities and to avoid incidents in the orthodox neighbourhood on the Sabbath. The tourists' cars will by-pass these areas.

About 30 cars, provided by Yatour Ltd. for the Haifa and Tel Aviv representatives of American Express Meditrad Ltd., will be escorted to and from the Gate by Police outriders, and police will be posted along the route to guide the convoy.

This first group from the boat will tour Jerusalem tomorrow and stay at the King David Hotel overnight. On Sunday they will tour the country and return to Haifa in the evening, to rejoin the Britannic, which they left to visit the Arab countries.

On Monday and Tuesday an anticipated 450 tourists from the boat will participate in a series of tours here lasting one or two days. Two more groups, of about 100 each, will visit the Capital. One is coming on Monday for an overnight stay and the other on Tuesday, after touring the northern part of the country. They will lunch at the King David Hotel, returning to the Britannic in the evening.

The boat will then continue on its Mediterranean cruise to Istanbul. *K.B.*

PRINTERS HIT ORDERS PLACED ABROAD

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Thursday.—The Printers Union has protested to the Government against the ordering abroad of printed material for the Tenth Anniversary and the Brussels Exhibitions.

The modern printing equipment in this country is capable of handling any job, and the placing of orders abroad not only ran counter to the Government's declared policy but wasted foreign currency, it was said.

Ma'ariv's' Tenth Anniversary Today

Jerusalem Post Reporter

"Ma'ariv," the Tel Aviv evening daily which marks its tenth anniversary today, has the distinction of having the largest circulation ever achieved by a Hebrew newspaper. The paper prints over 80,000 copies on weekdays, more than 90,000 on Fridays, and when a "hot" story breaks, circulation soars even higher. During the final campaign 140,000 copies were sold daily.

The paper is the creation of one man, Dr. Azriel Carlebach, who passed away two years ago. For ten years Editor of "Yedioth Aharonoth," he, together with the entire staff of the paper, announced to the publisher that they wanted to issue a daily of their own. "Ma'ariv" was founded and has remained a cooperative. Ten years ago, 17 people were needed to put it out. Today, the paper employs 170 men.

Journalists consider "Ma'ariv" the "newspaperman's paper" — its reporters are keen to get a story, and get it first. Moreover, the paper is not attached politically to any particular party. In recent years it has established a reputation for accuracy and reliable reporting and much fuller coverage of political news than formerly.

Compromise Reached In Pales Bankruptcy

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — A compromise settlement between the former director of the bankrupt Pales bookselling company and the official receiver, representing all creditors, was today approved by District Court President Judge N. Barzakay. The Judge ordered the cessation of all legal proceedings against the former director, Dr. P. Arnsberg.

According to the agreement, proposed by the respondent on condition that the proceedings against him be stopped, Dr. Arnsberg undertook to waive his own and his mother's claims, involving some IL128,000, against the defunct company; to cede to the receiver all claims to IL38,000 worth of books in possession of Monde Publishing Inc. of New York purchased by Pales; to pay the receiver IL8,000; and to transfer to the receiver Pales shares held by himself and his family.

The Court ratified the settlement after it was approved by the receiver. *(Itim)*

Eight Boys Charged With Burgling

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — Eight boys suspected of housebreaking were detained by police here yesterday.

Two of them, aged 15 and 16, were detained by a police patrol in the early morning in Rehov Levanda soon after the shop of Mr. Shmuel Koppel, in Rehov HaCh'ud HaTzvi, was burgled of IL80 worth of cigarettes and sweets.

Most of the stolen goods were found in the possession of the youngsters. The rest was found at the Givatayim home of a third member of the gang, aged 14, who was picked up a few hours later in Rehov Levanda. All three were held in the lock-up.

Following a widespread search, police yesterday also detained five youths aged 12 to 15, in whose possession were found stamps and household articles allegedly stolen about 10 days ago from the home of a Tel Hashomer Hospital doctor. The boys were released on bond. *(Itim)*

Postman Gets 2 Years For Stealing Letter

A Jerusalem postman was yesterday sentenced to two years' imprisonment for filching a registered letter containing IL30. He faced a possible sentence of 15 years.

The postman, young and well dressed, pleaded guilty before Jerusalem District Court Judge M. Cohen.

The IL30 in the purloined letter was addressed to a widow, Mrs. Aziza Cohen, and was her monthly allowance sent her by her son from Haifa, it was said. The accused, knowing that she received the monthly allowance, stole the registered letter and forged the widow's signature on the receipt.

The postman pleaded that his co-workers had induced him to play cards, as a result of which he had lost IL1,800 in six months.

The prosecution asked for a severe sentence, because although the sum involved was relatively small, the accused knew he was robbing a widow, and because the offence was a serious breach of trust by a civil servant.

The judge took into account the extenuating circumstances cited by the accused. *(Itim)*

A LAND Registration Office (Tabu) has been opened in Petah Tikva to serve the area from Ra'anana to B'nei Brak.

Butlin-Style Resort in Eilat Readied for Independence Day

Jerusalem Post Reporter

EILAT, Thursday. — Plans for a giant holiday camp with accommodation for 400 vacationers were revealed in Eilat today by Mr. Nathan Moses, the Eilat engineer who designed and is one of the financers of the scheme.

Government approval for the project was officially confirmed on Wednesday. The final survey to locate sites for the first buildings will be made tomorrow.

An effort is to be made to have all the accommodation ready for Independence Day. To speed up the work, a special precast system is to be employed, using concrete panels, faced with local stone and especially lined so that they need neither plaster nor paint on the inside.

To provide insulation against the heat, the concrete is to be made with innumerable tiny air-cells embedded in it.

The camp will have 200 twin-bedrooms, each with separate showers and toilets. There will be a central restaurant, cafeteria, a dance hall and—a novelty for Israel — a roller-skating rink. A pier for the camp's own boats will also be built.

Popular Prices

Beds will cost IL3.500 a night.

The camp is being erected at the entrance to Wadi Masri, known also as "Darb el-Hadj," the traditional pilgrims' route to Mecca, and the valley through which, according to tradition, the Children of Israel passed on their way from Egypt to the Promised Land. The site is about five kilometres from present-day Eilat, but lies opposite the best coral beaches.

The 400 beds will do much to relieve the present pressure on tourist accommodation in Eilat.

The completion of the hotels now being built will provide only approximately 300 beds by the start of the Tenth Anniversary Year, and the camp project is getting the green light from all the relevant Government departments.

The Eilat Local Council has undertaken to provide a road to the site, and install water and electricity.

Other partners in the enterprise are Mr. Donald Owen, an English boat builder and motor engineer, who has been resident in Tel Aviv since 1950, and Mr. Reuven Bein and Mr. Yehoshua Elkins, two Tel Aviv contractors.

Bentov Issues Call To Come to Eilat

Jerusalem Post Reporter

EILAT, Thursday. — An impassioned appeal to the country's engineers to "forsake the fleshpots of the North and come to Eilat" was made here today by the Minister of Development, Mr. Mordecai Bentov.

He was speaking at the commencement of work on the first 60 units of a planned 700-unit housing project for middle class settlers. The project is being built by the Economic Corporation of the Contractors' and Builders' Association.

Each unit is 65 sq.m. in size and is to cost IL11,500, IL4,000 of which is paid down, and the rest in mortgages.

Mr. Bentov announced that IL8m. would be invested in construction in Eilat during the next two years and that at the end of this period Eilat harbour would have a turnover comparable to that of Tel Aviv port.

Cables in Brief

BLAZE. — The House of Commons in London was reported to be on fire yesterday morning — but it was only the reflection of the rising sun on the windows. Fire engines from five stations rushed to the building, but it was reported that the alarm had been raised by someone on the opposite bank of the Thames who thought he could see flames through the windows.

GIFTS. — A hundred thousand Chinese New Year "presents" are being airdropped to 200 Communist Chinese terrorists believed to be hiding in the jungles of Perak State, Malaya. They are packets containing leaflets offering safe conduct passes for terrorists who surrender.

STAMP. — A stamp collector in Baku, on the Caspian Sea, claims to have the first stamp ever issued in Britain — a Victorian stamp dated May 6, 1848, the Soviet News Agency TASS reported yesterday.

SHARETT FOR BRIT

LYDDA AIRPORT, Thursday. — Mr. Moshe Sharett, M.K., accompanied by Mrs. Sharett, left today for Britain to open the United Jewish Appeal campaign there. Mr. Sharett is to appear in London, Leeds and Manchester and is also to visit Antwerp. He is due to return to Israel in a week. *(Itim)*

Tel Aviv Cinemas

Saturday: 7.15, 9.15 p.m. Weekdays: at 3.30, 7.15, & 9.15 p.m.

From Sat., Feb. 15, 1958

ALLENBY
RICHARD BURTON
CURT JURGENS
RUTH ROMAN
RAYMOND PELEGRIN in
BITTER VICTORY
3.30, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.

ARMON DAVID
2nd Week
MARIA SCHELL in
Les Nuits Blanches
(White Nights)
Based on the novel by F. Dostoievsky with JEAN MARAIS, Marcella MASTOIANNI
A Steiner Film

CHEN
Gerard Philippe
in
Adventures of Till Eulenspiegel
in Technicolor
at 3.30, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.

EDEN
3rd and Last Week
SABAKH & HANDY in
My Friends Betrayed Me
Sat.: 6.30 and 8.30
Weekdays: 3.30, 6.30, 8.30

ESTHER 2nd Week
Greater than ever
ON WIDE SCREEN
David O. Selznick's
GONE WITH THE WIND
in Technicolour
Clark Gable — Vivien Leigh
Leslie Howard —
Olivia De-Havilland
Saturday one performance at 7.30; weekdays 3 performances at 3.45 and 7.45

GAT 3rd week
Rehov Ibn Gvirol, corner Frishman
Festive Opening with
INTERLUDE
The life of a great musician
JUNE ALLYSON
ROSSANO BARKAZI
Cinemascope — Car Park

MAXIM
Tel. 27457 King George corner Ben Zion Blvd.
A million laughs that'll make millions laugh
Jimmy Edwards and Laurence Harvey
in
THREE MEN IN A BOAT
Based on Jerome K. Jerome's famous novel
Technicolor and Cinemascope
3 Perfs. daily: 4—7.15—9.15

MIGDALOR
RICHARD TODD
in
Yangtse Incident

MOGRABI 2nd Week
The most highly praised picture of our time
THE BEST YEARS OF OUR LIVES
3 performances daily: 6 and 9 p.m.

OPHIR
The greatest success the world over — especially in U.S.
Brigitte Bardot
Curt Jurgens in
ET DIEU . . . CREA LA FEMME
Cinemascope — Eastman-color
For adults only
Malish Film

ORION 12th Week
"SISSI"
with
ROMY SCHNEIDER
KARLHEINZ BOHM
MAGDA SCHNEIDER
German speaking. In Agfacolor.
Sat.: 5.15; 7.15; 9.30
Weekdays: 3.30; 7.15; 9.30

PEER 4th Week
Rehov Tiomkyahu Buses 4 & 6
One of the greatest artists of our age — MICHEL SIMON
in
L'ETRANGE DESIRE DE MA BARD
For adults only.
3 shows daily:
at 3.30, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.

SHDEROTH 6th Week
Magda Schneider, Lucie English, Paul Javor and Paul Kemp in a charming Austrian comedy with Hungarian music
IHR LEIBHUSAR

TAMAR
Budd Schulberg's
A FACE IN THE CROWD
an ELIA KAZAN production presented by Warner Bros.
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Cyprus Reminiscent of Palestine

Turkey Stands on Partition

By RAWLE KNOX

NICOSIA (OFNS). — THE Turks have got Cyprus between their teeth and the overriding feeling in official quarters here, after the Ankara Bagdad Pact meeting, where Sir Hugh Foot, the Cyprus Governor, was able to meet Turkish leaders, is that they are not going to let go. Dr. Fazi Kutchuk, the president of the "Cyprus is Turkish" party — the political organization of the Turkish Cypriots — returned from Ankara to Nicosia on February 3 after a 35-day tour of Turkey and is a different man. No longer on the defensive, Kutchuk now talks as though he feels himself the future Governor of a Cypriot province of Turkey. After partition of Cyprus (which is the official Turkish demand), the Turkish sector of the island, says Dr. Kutchuk, "will be no different from any other province of Turkey."

The new big difference is that Dr. Kutchuk and the Ankara Government are demanding partition now. "*Taksim*" (Arabic and Turkish for partition) is no more an initial attitude preparatory to long bargaining; it is a strongpoint not to be yielded.

"The Turks," as one American said during the Ankara conference, "have got the British over a barrel in Cyprus, and when Turks find themselves in a winning position they don't relax."

There are no illusions here about the disastrous Turkish Cypriot riots in Nicosia on January 27 and January 28. Naturally, no official will say so, but equally there is no official doubt that the demonstrations were ordered from Ankara and that the aim was to provide some Turkish martyrs. Two cases of indiscipline among British officers and soldiers (trying to deal humanely with riotous mobs is a severer test of courage and discipline than in war) provided those martyrs.

One of the first official acts of the Governor, Sir Hugh Foot, after his return from Ankara was to issue a strong broadcast warning on the evening of February 2 to Eoka, the Greek Cypriot-terrorist organization. British intelligence services insisted that Eoka was on the brink of restarting the campaign of killing which it suspended last March — by a truce which Eoka says was due to its desire for a peaceful settlement and which the British authorities say was due to Eoka's virtual military defeat.

Sir Hugh's speech contained none of the friendly tone that have made him so popular on the island since his arrival as Governor last December. If Eoka terrorism starts again, he said, "there can be no question of business as usual," the innocent might have to suffer inconvenience in order that the guilty be found and punished. Two days later, British intelligence intercepted a message from the Eoka command which was an answer to Sir Hugh, whom the message called "The Wooden Horse of Troy." It gave a warning that a resumption of all-out war was imminent.

There are many here who were in Palestine during the worst and last days of the British Mandate. Those to whom I have talked are unanimous in comparing the atmosphere of hate and tension here as being horrifyingly similar to that when Palestine was passing.

Two years ago the Turks demanded nothing more than *the status quo*. Now they demand — as Dr. Kutchuk has made plain since his return — partition before the next British General Elections. They will not risk the possibility of a Socialist Government at Westminster. The deadly damage of Socialist promises of self-determination to Greek Cypriots is that they have narrowed the time in which Britain can manoeuvre. All foreign observers here with whom I have talked agree that as much time as possible is necessary for tripartite talks between the British, Greek and Turkish Governments, during which one faintly hopes that passions here may quieten. When Athens fully realizes that British diplomacy has been forced by Ankara into a position where it has had to choose between Greece and Turkey in Cyprus, and has chosen Turkey, the reaction may be very uncomfortable indeed. It could spread far beyond Cyprus.

THIS WEEK...

Knesset The basic law concerned with the Knesset passed its final reading unanimously following the defeat of Mapai and General Zionist proposals to amend the electoral system . . . A bill broadening the powers of the State Controller passed its first reading.

Security Jordanians in ambush killed a Sharon farmer coming home at night . . . Mine-clearing was completed in the demilitarized zone near Dan . . .

Foreign Relations The Israel and Swiss diplomatic missions were raised to the rank of embassies . . . The American Ambassador handed over IL300,000 of counterpart Information Guarantee funds to the Haifa Technion for a hall of humanities and social sciences, and IL125,000 to Bar-Ilan University for a science building . . .

Development A 7.5m. cubic-metre reservoir for surplus Yarkon-Negev waters was inaugurated at Zohar in Lachish . . . The cornerstone for an IL10m. textile complex was laid in Dimona in the Negev . . . The government bought IL10m. of Nesher shares to enable the owners to finance Negev development projects . . . Excavation of the 1,740-metre Haifa subway tunnel was completed . . .

Tourism The first tour ship since 1956 docked in Haifa with the two-day visit of the Greek luxury liner Olympia, carrying 345 tourists, largely Americans.

DRAINING MARSHY LAND

The Brimming River

By PAULA ARNOLD

OURS is a dry and thirsty land. Even the Jordan, probably the most-sung river in the world, is only a glorified brook, and the others would not be called rivers at all in Europe, let alone America. Yet these little watercourses, some of them almost dry in summer, in winter wreak untold damage. The new Drainage Board, supervised by Dr. Y. Peter, Professor at the Technion, has since its transfer to the Ministry of Agriculture worked out a plan according to its slender budget, which will eventually free 250,000 dunams from the threat of ever-recurrent floods. Of course flood prevention is not the only work supervised by the Board — that is actual cleaning, deepening, and sometimes broadening of the watercourses and the digging of new channels. Draining marshy land is also within its province, and the leading of water to where it can do good instead of harm. All this is planned by Tahal, and supervised by the Drainage Authority.

The other day a group of journalists were taken along by Professor Peter and B. Kinori, a Tahal engineer, to see the first fruits of the work done in the region of two brooks, the Zerka or Nahal Hataninim, and the Zargonya or Nahal Ada. It was a day of threatening rain and sodden ground, and two of our six jeeps stuck in the Kabbara, that famous marsh, with its marvellous black soil, drained 30 years ago by PICA.

Tahal works in concert with the local councils of the area — bounded by the Hills of Ephraim to the east and including Zichron Ya'acov and Msayan Zevi in the north, and Caesarea in the south. Though our excellent driver, after we had left the hard road leading to Kibbutz Maagan Michael, a ten-year-old village standing on the rocky ledge close to the sea west of Zichron, almost stood the jeep on two wheels (front and back) repeatedly, we safely reached Sheva Thanot (Seven Mills) without being spilled. Sheva Thanot was a small Arab village living partly on the mills and partly on fishing. Up to the War of Liberation these picturesque watermills still existed; now they are gone. But the dams and bridges stemming from Roman times remain, the Department of Antiquity having put in a good word for them with the Water Department. To the east of these bridges the channel of the Nahal Ada has been widened and buttressed; in fact, the work is still going on. But from the bridges to the sea, for six kilometres, it was unnecessary to interfere with the vegetation, the brook only was cleaned and deepened, and so this most lovely bit of coastal landscape has retained its romantic wilderness, with the water racing under the ancient bridges, the tamarisks bending over the broads and the kingfishers flitting across the water. The cleaning of the brook will not only prevent "normal" floods, but also stop neap tides from coming up and salting the fields all around, as has happened repeatedly.

The Diversion

The next stop of the cavalcade was more or less in the middle of the Kabbara, which was drained long ago, it is true, but where floods from little wadis still occurred in winter. These will not come again, for deep channels have been dug, here and there breaking through the ancient Roman aqueduct. Though the expedition on which we were taken was far from archaeological, yet it so happened that we saw several interesting things in that field also, and Professor Peter proved knowledgeable in a subject far removed from water engineering. We were decanted from our jeeps at the spot where the famous diversion of the aqueduct returns to it. This diversion, running in a wide sweep, semicircular, right in the middle of the aqueduct, gave rise to many absurd theories. However, the first modern archaeologist to describe the region, the German von Muhlinen, already surmised 100 years ago that the reason for this strange construction was that the original aqueduct had become unserviceable and it was more practical and less expensive to build one around the place. He supposed that water plants from the swamp had choked the three pottery pipes encased in the masonry.

Work to be Done

In our days, Dr. Hamburger, the local amateur archaeologist, has with his wife carefully investigated the aqueduct in its whole length, and he came to the same conclusion. Professor Peter thinks it may simply have sunk — and it is well possible that both reasons hold. In any case, the new part is far better built and more imposing than the old, and the breaks made in the latter by the engineers are not such as to spoil the overall impression, for which this writer for one is thankful.

From this spot we were taken further south still, to a point near a little bridge under which the Nahal Ada flows and where the road to Caesarea branches off the main coastal road. From here upwards to the source of the brook or wadi the work is still to be done, there having been various hitches too tedious to relate. One of them is that some land will have to be expropriated for the purpose, and there are groves on it. Here, east of the road, there are also duneland and the swamps of the picturesque Khirbet Buri, where 3,000 dunams are flooded ever so often.

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How to Get Complimentary Tickets

By EPHRAIM KISHON

NO sooner does the average culture-loving Israeli learn that a new play is running than all his thoughts focus on one problem: how to get himself and his more intimate family complimentary tickets: good seats in the first row, not too far from the centre.

He knows that the way of least resistance towards this goal leads through the playwright. Yet it should be realized that a carefully mapped-out campaign is necessary, otherwise the average Israeli's plot could misfire and first night find him queueing up, red-faced, in front of the theatre box office.

So, in order not to bring the public into such an embarrassing situation, we herewith open an intensive course in the art of acquiring complimentary tickets.

FIRST of all, the beginner in complimentary ticket seeker should make a realistic assessment of his relationship to the playwright, the potential source of tickets. Generally, people fall into one of the following categories:

a. The playwright's only (devoted) friends.
b. Intimately personal acquaintances.
c. Closely related strangers.

Identical tactics are recommended for all three categories, because after all it is not the author but we, the masses thirsting for free culture, who decide what the relationship between him and ourselves is to be.

Therefore the best method is to step right up to the playwright and address him in a categorical voice, using the following lyrics:

"Yoskele! I want two tickets for the first night..."

Strictly speaking, this direct approach serves only as a kind of test balloon...

Our next move depends on the reaction of the hard-pressed playwright. If he blushes like a rose bush and stutters "all right, I'll get you two complimentary tickets...," our problem is solved, though quick-witted *aficionados* at this juncture sometimes add "I can't leave my mother-in-law at home, you know..." This is also a suitable time for borrowing a little cash from the playwright, for taxi fare to the theatre.

Quite a different situation arises if the author reacts to our test balloon with a blank stare and the remark: "All right, I'll see to it that two tickets are reserved for you..."

Keen-eyed students will notice that this non-committal answer makes not the slightest allusion to the reserved tickets being free. In such cases, the cold war must be carried on relentlessly.

"Thank you, Yoskele, thank you very much indeed, you're really too kind..." we gush our gratitude, the idea being that only a free ticket can be considered such a great favour. To be on the safe side, we add, "so when could you give me the tickets?"

As a rule, the playwright breaks down at this point, what with the excitement which precedes the premiere, but theoretically it is still possible that he will carry on his hopeless fight.

"Any time," the thick-skinned monster answers our last question, "Surely you know where you can get tickets..." (Note that the heel does not say "buy tickets," but hides behind the elastic and foggy phrase "get tickets.") The tension has become well-nigh unbearable.

Therefore, at this fateful juncture we radically change our tactics, because from here on time works in the playwright's favour.

"Thanks, Yoskele" — we blurt out. "So could you give me a note about the tickets to the box office?" (If we wanted to buy tickets, would we need his note? Hahaha!) The playwright blanches and totters.

"There's no need for a note" — he whispers, his eyes protruding. "I'm sure there are tickets left at the box office..."

That's it! Now give him the *coup de grace!*

"You think so?" — we rejoice. "Excellent! As a matter of fact you're right, I can tell them myself that you want two complimentary tickets for the premiere for me. Thanks. Regards to the missus..."

WHAT can the shlemiel of a playwright do in such a situation? He can run after us and desperately stutter that "please, you know that if anybody deserves a complimentary ticket, why, it's certainly you, but the theatre gives me a total of four invitations for the premiere, and I have already bought 23 complimentary tickets for my acquaintances, really...surely you'll understand, after all, if anybody deserves..."

It's out of the question that a Hebrew playwright should debase himself to such a degree, but if in spite of everything, the despicable miser should sink so low, the only thing left for us to do is to look him up and down and throw our boundless scorn at him.

"Excuse me! You thought I wanted a *free* complimentary ticket?"

And we turn our backs on him from there to eternity, and for us he no longer exists. His play is lousy, anyway.

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Readers' Letters

TRAFFIC OFFENCES

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In order to reduce congestion in the Courts, some countries allow the traffic police to impose fines and collect them on the spot. This is undesirable.

But, in the U.S. (in Washington, D.C., at any rate) a traffic policeman is empowered, when serving a summons for, say, a parking offence, to require the offender to pay him the standard fine, but in the form of a guarantee of the offender's appearance in court. If the offender decides not to appear in court, his guarantee is impounded and used to pay his fine. The same happens if he appears in court and loses his case. But, if he wins his case, his guarantee is returned to him.

The summons issued by the traffic policeman includes a numbered receipt for the guarantee paid at the time the summons is issued, so there is adequate control over the money received by the police.

As many offenders in Israel do not wish to dispute the minor traffic charges made against them, it might be worthwhile trying the Washington system in Israel, thereby relieving the pressure on the Courts.

Yours, etc.
EDWIN SAMUEL
Jerusalem, February 10.

FIRST-DAY STAMP ISSUES

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — For many years, we, the stamp collectors of Nazareth, have never had the chance to buy stamps with tabs on the day of issue. We always have to go to Haifa and lose a day's work to get the envelope together with the stamps and the tabs. If the Ministry wished to, it could make it easier for us to get them in Nazareth.

I hope something will be done about this.

Yours, etc.
ZAIN A. MU'AMMAR
Nazareth, January 26.

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SH. NISSENBOIM
Press Officer
Ministry of Posts
Jerusalem, February 10.

BEDUIN TOT AT WIZO HOME

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Your item today, concerning the little Beduin girl whom Dr. Bechar took under his care, mentions that the child is at present in the Hadassah Children's Home, Jerusalem.

We would like to draw your attention to the fact that, after being discharged from the Hadassah Hospital in November, 1956, the baby was admitted into our WIZO Babies' Home in Jerusalem, where she remains to this day.

Yours, etc.
LILY FRANK
Executive Secretary
WORLD WIZO
Tel Aviv, February 6.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Last week, I received a letter from the Tel Nordau School announcing the introduction of uniforms in all municipal elementary schools. The circular says that it hopes I will receive this announcement "with satisfaction and joy."

Apart from the prospect of having to spend tens of pounds, because I happen to have two children at school and each needs at least two uniforms for winter and two each for summer; I do not like uniforms at all, and I believe it is my right in a democratic state to clothe my children as I like. The next logical step, of course, would be the introduction of uniforms in the kindergartens for toddlers...

But the most interesting point seems to be the composition of the committee which decided the matter. Aside from the delegates of the Ministry of Education, the Education Department of the Municipality and the Parents' Committee, there were representatives of the Ministry of Commerce and the Manufacturers' Association. What have the last two to do with the decision?

For myself, I regard the above-mentioned decision as entirely unfounded in law and have decided not to put my children into uniform.

Yours, etc.
I. W.
(Name and Address Supplied)
Tel Aviv, January 29.

'Green Onion' Is Nice and Fresh

Batsal Yarok presents "Poor Max's Wash." Sketches: Ephraim Kishon. Direction: Shai Bunim

BY this time almost everybody has heard that Batsal Yarok (Green Onion) is something special. This theatrical company is part of the Nahal troupe which has finished its army duty and has turned professional. Fortunately, they have not become professional enough to become stale or jaded. Under the skilled guidance of Shai Bunim they have managed to keep their air of spontaneity and informality and still go through their numbers at a slick pace. Since most of the material in the show is "radiogenic" it is already familiar to every dial-twister in the country.

Kishon at his Best

The sketches were written by Ephraim Kishon and they are Kishon at his very best. There is not a single mention of taxes — income, excise or otherwise — to remind the audience of their troubles. The material is non-political, non-party and non-controversial. It takes a lot of legerdemain to write a current revue within these bounds, but Mr. Kishon has managed to come up with some topical material which is both good and funny. For instance, there are the three Cohens who are waiting against regulations, for their blessed events to be announced. One prospective father takes out a picture of his four or five daughters, the second of his three sons, while the third, the amateur father, produces an X-ray of his expected offspring. Then there is the very successful sketch, already familiar to radio-listeners, in which a young member of a kibbutz falls violently in love with a girl for whom her new immigrant father demands a substantial dowry. There is no provision in the kibbutz's treasury for such a contingency and they are faced with the loss of a valued member if the money is not forthcoming. The discussions pro and con, and the ideological debate by a tunate enough to know these well-indoctrinated female kibbutznik with the North African father, make for first-rate comedy.

Theatre Notes

There are certain advantages in having semi-professional status. One can get away with using an accordion as musical accompaniment. Some of the songs would, of course, sound much better if they had an orchestra to give them body and background. The hit number of the evening, which everyone is humming, is Naomi Shemer's "Wanderer's Song." This has a lilt and a swing which might make it a good export product (Mr. Sapir, please note). The lyrics, mainly written by Haim Hefer, are above average. Yohanan Zarai has to his credit a number of the songs in varying moods and his nostalgic army number (words by Ben Zion Tomar) has a haunting melody which should make it a success. The other songs, including the title one, were written by A. Abromovitz.

The company still prefers to hide behind the screen of military anonymity, so that credit cannot be given where it is due unless one is for-

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The Mapai Setback

Davar (Histadrut) condemns the "unholy alliance" between the otherwise antagonistic parties who joined hands in the Knesset to defeat the Mapai move to alter the voting system and avers that while the proposal has been removed from the Knesset agenda, it remains one of the vital needs of the State. The Knesset airing has roused in the public a growing feeling that some sort of change in representation is necessary, a feeling that sooner or later will have to be taken into consideration.

The brief and sharp battle ending in a Mapai setback, writes **Lamerhav** (Ahdut Ha'avoda), shows that Israel democracy is not prepared to accept artificial devices to ensure stable Mapai rule. Even if the debate continues and further attempts are made to affect the change, the public will be aware of the plot to enhance Mapai's status at the price of the State's democracy.

Al Hamishmar (Mapam) writes that the Knesset verdict has not only tripped up the Mapai attempt but also circumscribed its chances if it tries again. The "educational campaign" of its leaders will be long remembered, at least by Mapam.

Ha'aretz (non-party) expresses the hope that Akiva Govrin and his party have been made aware of the mistake they made by announcing that they would go over the heads of the Knesset to reverse the decision. It is hoped that the slight was not intentional.

The defeat of the move, writes **Haboker** (General Zionist), was a foregone conclusion and it is difficult to understand why the Knesset had to make such a to-do over it. The Mapai defeat on this question will not end that Party's rule, but the debate may have created a more favourable atmosphere towards a change of regime.

Herut is very critical of the Government for failing to extend aid to the Tel Aviv University which, in its opinion, is as deserving as the Hebrew University. Government animosity stems from political reasons one of which is that the ruling party was not permitted to take the lead in the city's affairs.

Hatsofe (World Mizrahi) sees in the latest Jordan murder the customary Arab attempt to divert attention from their internal problems by violence on the Israel border.

Omer (Histadrut), like Davar the day before, dwells on the needs and prospects of trade with the Far East and wishes the Sapir Commission full success.

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Letter from Paris — **By Maurice Carr**

Soustelle Points Way to Peace

SOME politicians like speaking to the press. Others prefer to write for it. M. Jacques Soustelle belongs to the latter category; but in his capacity of President of the French Committee for a Franco-Israel Alliance, he was willing to break with custom and grant an interview to your correspondent.

Dealing with "first things first," M. Soustelle reviewed what he described as the "ever-more explosive situation in the Middle East, which may so easily degenerate into a regional or even a world war." "In the interests of peace," he said, "the Great Powers, including Soviet Russia, should as a matter of urgency jointly declare themselves opposed to any modification whatsoever of the territorial *status quo* in the Middle East. I should like to see the French Government take the initiative to secure such a common statement of policy, the effect of which would be to dampen nationalist passions as well as restrain East-West intrigues in the area. Otherwise the whole powder-keg may blow up."

Alluding to the "Hands off Israel" manifesto recently issued by the Franco-Israel Alliance Committee as a riposte to certain international manoeuvres for a Middle East Munich at Israel's expense, M. Soustelle observed: "Israel's present territory is the absolute minimum — economically, strategically and in every other way — if the Jewish State is to survive. And survive it must."

What, I asked, were the prospects for the conclusion of a Franco-Israel alliance, and what would its functions be?

"If and when French foreign policy rises superior to certain besetting weaknesses, as I and many other people hope will happen soon, then the question of an alliance between our two countries will be officially raised.

"I think such an alliance would prove extremely useful. It would take the form of a treaty of friendship and cooperation in all spheres, cultural, economic, political, diplomatic, military. There would be an overall pact, supplemented by detailed agreements in each sphere. The ground we have to cover in practice is almost unlimited.

"When I had the honour of meeting Mr. Ben-Gurion, in Jerusalem, he and I spent an hour and a half looking into the potentialities of an alliance. In the cultural domain, to begin with, there is an enormous amount to be done between France and Israel to our mutual advantage.

"The same applies to the economic field. France is not only a European, but also a North African country. Some of the economic problems we are up against in North Africa also arise in Israel. The great Negev and Sahara experiments are comparable; the chances of achievement are immense.

"France is in a position to provide nearly all the capital goods, indispensable to a country like Israel creating a modern economy from scratch.

"In the military domain, we have already had some cooperation. We can continue and develop it.

"From the political point of view, moreover, the alliance would be highly important for Israel, which is geographically an Asian state, but in many ways a European one. Israel needs to maintain a strong link with Europe, and at the same time she can serve as France's link with the East—a link for peace and all-round prosperity; I should like to emphasize that.

"Mr. Ben-Gurion remarked that the alliance would certainly be good for Israel, but what did a big country like France expect to get out of it? I pointed out that, quite irrespective of my warm feelings for Israel, I am first and foremost a French patriot. As a patriot, I want the alliance, which would in effect consecrate a tripartite friendship — between France, Israel and world Jewry. That is a consideration of the utmost importance. France is going through a bad phase — it won't last for ever—in which she finds herself under attack from various quarters for all sorts of sordid reasons. Those who would like to dispossess France decry our country as the 'sick man' of the United Nations. That is a very disagreeable role. We believe that, given the influence which not only Israel but above all the Jewish communities throughout the world exert on international opinion, this alliance would produce happy results for us.

JACQUES SOUSTELLE

"There is, however, a more durable aspect of a Franco-Israel alliance. France is, always has been and must remain a Mediterranean Power with Eastern interests.

Food for Extremism

"We are confronted in North Africa and in the Middle East with one and the same psychological problem. Pan-Arab extremism nourishes itself on dreams of conquest. The Arab ultra-nationalists aspire to throw the French out of Algeria and to drive the Jews from Israel into the sea. When once it has been made clear that these dreams can never become realities, then the more peaceful, progressive elements among the Arabs will be able to come into their own and do constructive work to emancipate the Arab masses, victims of Arab feudal exploitation and of centuries of sloth.

"A fundamental aspect of the alliance will be the proper exposition of its wholly peaceful motives, with the stress on cultural and economic development. I am sure that the real solution to the troubles in the Near and Middle East lies in the building up of prosperity and social justice in the area through combined efforts. So far the Arabs have refused to collaborate with Israel to that end, for instance in the utilization of the Jordan waters. Sooner or later, though, I am confident, sanity will prevail.

"I would go even further and suggest that a Franco-Israel plan of economic and social development for the entire Middle East be submitted to the countries concerned with an offer of substantial technological and other assistance from Paris and Jerusalem. Let there be no mistake about it: the alliance between France and Israel is to be a declaration, not of war, but of peace, on the Arab States."

Could M. Soustelle confirm or deny rumours that Mr. Ben-Gurion and other Israel leaders had appeared lukewarm to the idea of a formal alliance?

"If there are such rumours, they are totally unfounded," M. Soustelle was quick to reply. "I had personal talks with Mr. Ben-Gurion, with Mrs. Golda Meir and others, and their response was one of very warm welcome. That is the pure and simple truth.

"The response in France has been equally good. The Franco-Israel alliance project enjoys the support of politicians of all parties, with the exception only of the Communists, some 'fellow-travellers' like Pierre Cot, and a handful of neo-Nazis who have transferred to Nasser the affection they once bore for Hitler. On the other hand, some partisans of the extreme Right, especially the Royalists, who were formerly anti-Semites, have veered round in favour of Israel."

M. S. Friedrich, director of the Franco-Israel Alliance Committee, who was present at the interview, showed me the full list of committee members. It includes 112 Deputies of the National Assembly, 8 Senators and 34 Councillors of the French Union. Of those, 41 are Conservative Independents, 35 Socialists, 32 Gaullists, 31 Liberal Catholics (M.R.P.), 20 Radicals and 55 miscellaneous.

Among the better-known personalities are M. Maurice Faure, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and 31 former Ministers, three of them ex-Premiers, M. Félix Gouin (Socialist), M. André Marie (Radical) and M. Joseph Laniel (Independent). The chairmen of five important National Assembly Commissions are also members, namely M. Maurice Schumann (M.R.P.) — Foreign Affairs; M. Pierre Montel (Independent) — National Defence; Guy Desson (Socialist) — Press; M. Guy Oupfer (Liberal R. G. R.) — Justice; and M. Jules Ninine (Socialist) — Overseas Territories. There are also, it is worth noting, quite a few African politicians, of whom at least one is a practising Moslem.

Then there are 28 eminent university professors, several generals of whom the best known is Gen. Koenig, a number of celebrated writers, like Georges Duhamel, influential newspapermen such as M. Pierre Lazareff, managing director of the popular Parisian evening paper "France-Soir," and a host of big businessmen and senior civil servants.

The Franco-Israel Alliance Committee is a mixed team. It is strange indeed to find M. François Mitterrand, leader of the left-of-Centre U.D.S.R. party, making common cause for once with M. Soustelle. The two men hold widely divergent views on many subjects and, most of all, on Franco - Meghreb relations. For that matter, it is no less odd to see Maître André Blumel, President of the French Zionist Federation, who is a stalwart Socialist, backing up M. Friedrich, who belongs to Herut and to whom credit must be given for the fine job he has done.

Handicapped though the Committee may be by its initial identification with one extremist Israel party, the movement towards a Franco-Israel alliance has nonetheless made impressive progress. Its sympathisers in high places, and among the ordinary public, are legion. For the issue is one which cuts clean across, and rises far above, party rivalries.

Heard Abroad

The idea that you have to beat the Russians at everything isn't going to take the best out of the world.
— Mr. Charles Wilson, former U.S. Secretary of Defence.

Ballet bores me. — Mlle. Sagan.

It is not normally considered a mark of affection for a child that you murder the mother who is looking after it.—The Master of the Rolls.

When you don't know someone very well, you may let him enter your hall, your sitting room, even your dining room—but not your bedroom.—Mr. Khrushchev.

I think of being a success only in terms of the next 20 years. — Mr. John Osborne.

The problem of over-production has been caused because of the efficiency of our boss rather than the inefficiency of the Government.—Mr. J. B. Godber, Joint Parliamentary Secretary, Minister of Agriculture.

The Prime Minister goes east while the Government goes west. — Labour M.P. quoted by The Times Political Correspondent.

It is no fun to kiss a man when 180 technicians are watching you.— Miss Sophia Loren.

Skiing is very good for the figure. After a day of skiing, a woman of 40 looks like a man of 30. — Herb Shriner.

Skiing is the perfect exercise for a French Premier. It teaches him how to fall. — Pierre Mendes-France.

Circus Thrills Tel Aviv

An exciting moment at the Medrano Circus as the elephant trainer coaxes one of his charges into a delicate pose.

Photo by Pinn

Letter from Washington — **By Philip Deane**

The Dulles Case Against Summit Talks

HIGH officials of the State Department are saying privately that because of the pressure from world opinion, Mr. John Foster Dulles feels that he must give the appearance of being receptive to the idea of a properly prepared summit meeting, but that in fact he is anxious to avoid such a meeting. He objects to a summit meeting not so much because of his conviction that the Russians are insincere; he would be much more worried if he thought a summit meeting could lead to disengagement, a policy that now finds great favour in Europe. Even though he does not think serious negotiations are likely to take place on disengagement or any other subject, he still does not want a summit meeting which he fears may damage the whole U.S. military posture.

OH, LOOK! ANOTHER ONE!

This Dulles attitude is now directly at odds with that of Senator Hubert H. Humphrey, a strong contender for the Democratic Presidential nomination in 1960. Senator Humphrey is the first major U.S. political figure to suggest disengagement be considered, despite the opposition of Mr. Dean Acheson and of Mr. Dulles.

The explanation offered of this stand of the Secretary of State is that Russia could defeat the U.S. easily in any local war today: Russian troops far outnumber Western forces; and U.S. tactical nuclear weapons do not compensate for Russian numerical superiority because the Red Army also has such weapons and more of them. There is said to be no doubt in Mr. Dulles' mind that Russia is willing to use force as an instrument of policy; if she has not exploited her superiority in the field of limited war it is, he thinks, because she cannot be sure the U.S. will not make good the threat of massive retaliation against the heartland of Russia should Soviet forces attack an ally of the West.

Resolve to Fight

This threat of massive retaliation, to be credible, must be backed by an obvious resolve of the American people to fight in defence of overseas allies. To nurture this resolve, the Government feels it must picture the allies as indispensable to U.S. safety. The American people might conceivably contemplate all-out nuclear war to defend an ally against Communist aggression, but they might well not countenance such a war against a Communist coup in a former ally that has become part of a neutralized zone. Furthermore, peace might also induce American taxpayers to believe the danger is over and make them reluctant to foot the enormous bill for catching up with Russia.

There is equal concern with nurturing the steadfastness of the allies. If the allies doubt now the U.S. willingness to defend them, ask Mr. Dulles' assistants, how much more will not these allies doubt when American cities are directly threatened, when Russia has some chances of launching a successful surprise knockout blow?

To prevent these doubts the U.S. must keep its troops in Europe so that any fighting there will involve U.S. forces and automatically ensure U.S. defence of Europe. Otherwise, runs the theory, the allies will turn neutralist under Russian pressure and on terms favouring Russia.

And the military naturally, will try to do all they can to keep allied bases, especially when the "peril point" comes.

This term, which U.S. generals use these days, refers to the time 18 months to two years from now when Russia will have enough operational intercontinental ballistic missiles to threaten every Western retaliatory base. When it is reached, the U.S. will have no anti-missile missile or intercontinental ballistic missiles, no missiles launched from submarines, and will have to rely on bombers which need foreign bases. The few 1,500-mile ballistic missiles that the U.S. will have by then will also need European bases. For the military experts here, these are good reasons for opposing disengagement in Europe.

All attempts at a real examination of how valid these U.S. attitudes are have been blocked by the powerful Conservatives who dominate Congress and who strongly influenced the Government through the former Treasury Secretary George M. Humphrey (not to be confused with Senator Hubert Humphrey). It is they who sought cheap defence and decided that only the means of massive retaliation were needed. "If the threat of massive retaliation can stop a world war from happening it can stop a small war from happening." They even economized on the retaliation forces.

Cheap Defence

They economized to cut the size of the Budget, thus cutting the size of the Government, because they sincerely believed that big government was the very negation of American capitalist democracy. Now they are being asked by the generals to spend much more than Mr. Eisenhower recommends in his budget, to keep the "peril point" from occurring, if possible. They are being asked, in other words, to promote even bigger Government than they inherited from Truman. They are trying very hard indeed not to see this as a choice between the survival of the nation, and the survival of the American political system as they conceive it. Until they resolve this problem within themselves, until they find a basis on which to build their thinking, these powerful conservatives, the Senator Knowlands, the Sherman Adamses, will demand that radical changes in U.S. policy should be postponed.

Challenge to U.S. Conservatives

THE significant debate in Washington is thus no longer on the military aspect of catching up with Russia, but rather on what this catching up requires in the way of changing time-hallowed concepts about the economy and the proper role of the Government. It is more than a debate, perhaps; it is more a process of soul-searching for the powerful Conservatives who dominate Congress, and also the White House, through such men as Sherman Adams, the President's chief-of-staff and George M. Humphrey, who is still a great influence on his personal friend, Mr. Eisenhower, even after his resignation from the Treasury.

These Conservatives came into office determined to reduce the power and the role of the Federal Government which had grown so much in 20 years of Democratic rule; they were also determined to cut Government spending because they believed big Budgets would inevitably bring an uncontrollable inflation and then a depression, "that would curl your hair," as Mr. Humphrey put it.

Mr. Eisenhower by temperament was not the man to continue the "strong government" tradition of Roosevelt and Truman and his election automatically reduced the power of the Government. He did not interfere when the Conservatives proceeded to cut programmes he called essential. And not being expert in economics, he allowed his Conservative advisers to tighten credit, cut stockpiling and take other retrenching steps.

Now it looks as if weak government prevented the taking of decisions which could have compensated less defence spending by careful husbanding of resources and rational organization of defence production and planning—and the U.S. has fallen badly behind in the vital missile field. The economies in defence, coupled with tighter credit, produced a recession which undoubtedly handicaps the U.S. in its struggle to catch up.

It is not just a temporary failure of their policy that the Conservatives are now facing; the very foundations of their creed are being shaken. They are being confronted with evidence that their method may no longer work, that they may have to adopt the hated ways of their opponents. To start with, the Conservative mind is trying to get used to the idea that the people of the U.S. no longer accept as inevitable natural phenomena the ups and downs of the economy; the people expect government to stop the recession.

The Conservatives have done as much as they thought they should—they eased credit and with true reluctance they "primed the pump" by increasing defence spending. But they are being told by their own men, by business economists and Government economists, that this is not enough. W. J. McNeil, Assistant Secretary of Defence questioned by the Joint Congressional Economic Committee, would not affirm that the increased defence spending would reverse the slump. The Committee for Economic Development, a business group, asked for far more Government spending and for a tax cut at once to stimulate the economy.

This, at a time when all the military experts and highly respected civilians, such as those who served on the panels of the Gaither and Rockefeller Committees which investigated the U.S. defence weakness, are all urging more, much more, spending. More spending together with a tax cut means deficit spending which for the U.S. Conservatives has always been the cardinal sin; "stealing the heritage of our children." There seems to be no way for the Conservatives to avoid deficit spending.

Power Extension

But that is not the only instance in which they are being asked to act against their convictions to meet the Russian challenge. They are also being asked to accept a drastic reorganization of weapons development which would take this activity out of the hands of competitive industry and give it to government - employed "teams" of scientists; they are being told that the U.S. cannot produce adequate scientists as long as the secondary schools are run by the parents in a way which does not allow catering for brilliant students whose very existence is a humiliation for the parents of not-so-brilliant children. The Federal Government will have to set standards for the schools, the Conservatives are told, and in their eyes this is another dangerous extension of governmental power.

The Conservatives are also being told that in the international political contest against Russia the U.S. must offer stable long-term markets to underdeveloped countries for their raw materials and must lower its tariffs. Can such things be accomplished, the Conservatives ask, without still greater Government intervention in the economy to resettle those affected by foreign competition, to regulate agricultural production? The present external challenge demands that for the first time the U.S. system should not merely produce more, but should change. (OPNS)

Right Man for Right Job

By Ya'acov Ardon

HOW many people in Israel are doing the work for which they have the right physical, emotional and mental qualifications? How many talented men and women are misfits in their jobs, square pegs forced into round holes by circumstances, accident or simply by ignorance of their own "occupational personality"?

There are no statistical tables that can be consulted for an answer; but circumstantial evidence provides a clue. A man employed in a job for which he is physically, emotionally or mentally maladjusted cannot be a contented worker; and if he is consciously or subconsciously dissatisfied, he is more than averagely prone to ill-health, absenteeism, accidents, poor relations with his fellow workers and superiors, and impaired productivity. On these handicaps to industrial production our statistics are eloquent enough. They reflect a waste on no small scale of human material and financial resources.

In the industrially advanced countries these problems have been carefully investigated. The body of knowledge treating of human behaviour under conditions of modern production is the subject of industrial psychology, a science hardly consulted yet in Israel, though a beginning has already been made in several large organizations like the Army, the Ata Textile Works, Fertilizers and Chemicals and Solel Boneh, everywhere with conspicuously good results.

The Psychotechnical

Among the many tasks of industrial psychology is the finding of the right man for the right job. Of various techniques developed to determine a person's occupational character, the most widely used nowadays is the psychotechnical aptitude test. If skilfully conducted, it reveals quickly and clearly a job candidate's manual dexterity, mechanical aptitudes, speed of understanding, general mental ability, persistence, resourcefulness, and other essential traits of the occupational personality. They help the counsellor fill in the gaps which one or more personal interviews with the boy or girl have left.

The Labour Ministry's vocational guidance service employs this combination of psychotechnical testing and interviews to direct teen-agers referred to it by the Youth Labour Exchanges to occupations best suited to their personality. The Army does the same to find the right occupation and service for its recruits and to select suitable candidates for officers' training courses.

In Britain, boys are put to work in industrial plants for a few weeks and kept under observation. Usually the findings of the trained observers tally so closely with the results of the tests that either of the two methods can be used to demonstrate the accuracy of the other. The British method depends on the availability of trained observers and runs parallel to the practice of educational institutions to evaluate a student's ability on the basis of his performance over a stretch of time rather than in a single examination.

The testing method can, and indeed should, also be applied to adults. In several large plants the workers were tested to determine how well they were suited for the jobs in which they were employed. Whenever the findings showed that men were misplaced, a transfer to more congenial occupations was suggested to them. As they usually were none too happy in their present jobs, they readily agreed.

"After we started to put candidates through the tests, we found out that selections based on them have resulted in raising standards of output and reduced the turnover of manpower," the personnel manager of Fertilizers and Chemicals, Mr. Baruch Sheshinski, reports. Such shifting of workers within a plant leads to a more rational and productive use of a valuable and expensive resource — human labour. The purpose and benefits of such a re-placement programme must be explained to the workers beforehand, as otherwise they are apt to become suspicious and see in it an attempt by their employers to get more work out of them without corresponding compensation.

Emotion a Feature

A man's job should fit not only his mental faculties but also his emotional traits. A quiet person who likes to work alone for hours on end, progressing at his own pace, has the right emotional qualifications for a good accountant, technical designer, precision tool builder, goldsmith or watchmaker. Someone else might be "driven crazy" if forced to sit still and alone. In need of motion, bustle contact with people, he will instinctively or deliberately turn to agency work, hotel management acting, business, salesmanship and so on. At the intersection of the emotional and mental factors lies the kind of occupation a person is best suited for and needs, to lead a contented and productive working life.

Labour exchanges in Israel are known to place job-seekers in accordance with party key, social need and other extraneous considerations, rather than with the aptitudes of the individual. The only way open to employers to resist such placements, which run counter to the interests of the economy, is through selection by aptitude tests. The tests are objective, they are usually undertaken by a third party, and if not, they can be checked for their validity.

Most people have taken their vocational decisions either unconsciously or under the pressure of circumstances. In industry, especially in the larger enterprises, a re-placement and re-training programme is often possible and brings rewards to employer and employed in terms of material savings and greater satisfaction.

We Can Guarantee Our Sunshine

By Ya'acov Friedler

TOURIST opinion is divided on the attraction of viewing ancient tombs or listening to long speeches. Some like it, others don't. But where is the visitor who doesn't like our sunshine, especially if he comes from one of those countries where the sun is only a reluctant tourist? Meteorological statistics for the past 30 years show that we may expect at least 298 completely rainless days every year. If we do not take into account night-time rain or 24-hour periods with only about one millimetre of precipitation (still considered "rainy" by the statistics) the number of rainless days shoots up to about 330. What is more, on bright days we have never less than ten hours of sunshine (in December) rising to 14 hours in high summer. Few countries can equal this record.

Statistically speaking, Israel's rainy season lasts from September through April. In fact, only November through February need be considered a rainy period. December and January are the critical months, accounting for almost two-thirds of our total rainfall. The mean annual precipitation in the north of Israel (the wettest area) is 665 millimetres. It is made up of

September with one rainy day,	2.2 m.m.
October, four rainy days,	25.1 m.m.
November, eight days,	93.9 m.m.
December, 17 days,	185.1 m.m.
January, 15 days,	176.5 m.m.
February 12 days,	119.3 m.m.
March, nine days,	69.1 m.m.
April, five days,	25.8 m.m.

In May summer is back. Even these statistics are not the whole story. Much of our rain falls either early in the morning or at sunset, thus leaving many of the rainy days quite bright during daylight hours. Many an Israel winter day that starts grey and forbidding is likely to turn out sunny.

Actually our winter is perhaps the finest season: not too hot, but bright and fresh, with lots of sunshine. For visitors from more northerly climates it is often warm enough for swimming and seaside visits. Even the coldest Israel month, January, has a mean temperature of 11 Centigrade. Ask anyone from Britain, (not to mention Norway or Sweden) whether 53 degrees Fahrenheit is "cold," or, if it comes to that, "mean." Yet no Israel beach is open during the winter.

Good Sunshine Record

What indeed are we doing to boost our winter? How many Tenth Anniversary Events are planned for these finest days of our year? Why go out of our way to keep tourists away when they can most enjoy themselves here? Our sunshine record is so good that we can actually guarantee sunshine to our visitors. Our statistics show that it will be very unusual if a one-week winter tourist will not enjoy a fair amount of sunshine here. Our rainfall has the habit of occurring two or three days at a time, then leaving the sky to the sun for a longer interval. It will be an exception if any tourist is caught by more than four days of rain in a row. It may happen once in 20 years or so and it did happen this winter, with eight consecutive rainy days last month. It probably won't happen again so soon.

We suggest that our Tourist Corporation, hotel owners and holiday businessmen all get together with Shoham and El Al and launch a worldwide propaganda campaign to offer visitors at least six days of sunshine out of every ten they stay here. Let us offer them their money back if they don't get them; or, alternatively, to prolong their stay at our expense until they do.

It is a worthwhile risk. We shall be able to offer a unique attraction.

REMINDER

TO READERS OVERSEAS

The Publishers wish to call your attention to our letter of January 24, in which we informed you of our plans for our Souvenir Edition to be published on the occasion of the Tenth Anniversary of the State of Israel.

There is still time to accept the invitation we extended in that letter to you to join us in the celebration of this unique event—an event we are sure you won't want to miss—by extending your greetings in the columns of this magazine.

For your convenience we attached a simple form to our letter, and we would ask you to fill it in without delay.

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MON. Feb. 17	07.00	EL AL	Rome, Cologne
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TUES. Feb. 18	02.25	AIR FRANCE	Teheran, Karachi, Rangoon, Saigon, Manila, Tokyo
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U.K. Produces New Jet Prototypes

By Our Aviation Correspondent

● As previously reported, a £60m. contract for the biggest airliner order ever placed in Britain has been signed between BOAC and Vickers-Armstrongs (Aircraft) Ltd. It is for 35 of the new Vickers VC 10 jet airliners (see model below). BOAC has also taken an option on a further 20 of these aircraft. The biggest airliner to be put into production in Britain — the VC. 10 will be Britain's first puro-jet airliner for use on the North Atlantic route, and will have a better all-round performance than any competitive jet so far announced.

The VC. 10 will have its Rolls-Royce Conway engines mounted at the rear of the fuselage. It was the first aircraft ever designed so to group four engines, and thus to gain the performance advantages which can stem from having a clean wing unspoiled by engine nacelles or mountings of any kind. Such a wing can be designed to have a very advantageous lift/drag relationship, making for much improved take-off and better cruising economy. Another considerable advantage of the rear mounted engines is the absence of noise, vibration and jet exhaust buffet which will make the VC. 10 an outstandingly quiet and comfortable aeroplane. It will seat 133 passengers on two decks.

Here is the first picture of another new British jet airliner, the Bristol 200. This plane, which has a cruising speed of more than 600 m.p.h. and is able to carry up to 100 passengers over ranges between 3000 and 1,700 miles, is being considered for service by British European Airways. Note the new line in aircraft design as seen in the Vickers VC10 below: clean wings, jet engines at rear (as in the French Caravelle) and stabilized tail assembly.

Keystone Photo

U.K. Aircraft Mergers

● One result of the recent disappointments in the sale of British aircraft has been a drive to consolidate the aircraft industry. The Ministry of Supply has made it clear that it would favour the establishment of larger units in order to make the industry competitive and so able to hold its own against its American rivals. A first step in this direction has been made by the announced cooperation of the Bristol Aeroplane (producers of the Britannia aircraft) and Hawker-Siddeley groups, though rumours of an outright merger have not yet been confirmed. De Havilland and Saunders-Roe are also seen as prospective partners.

Aeroflot Expansion

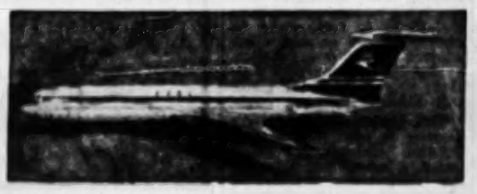
● Aeroflot, the Russian state airline will soon open direct jet airliner service between East Berlin and Peking with one stopover — Moscow. This is the latest in a series of Soviet air-trade step-ups. Aeroflot is playing up agreements with the Scandinavian Airways System for direct SAS-Aeroflot service between the three Scandinavian capitals and Moscow; with Air France between Moscow and Paris, Aeroflot providing TU-104 jet service between Moscow and Prague, and Air France covering the Prague-Paris stretch; and with Finnair, the Finnish airline for Finnair-Aeroflot flights between Helsinki and Moscow. In addition, Aeroflot has negotiated an agreement with Air India for Moscow-Delhi flights. This service is being delayed by an Air India shortage of long-range passenger aircraft.

The Soviets have been negotiating off and on since 1954 with KLM, Swissair, and Sabena. These talks have produced KLM flights to Leipzig, East Germany, and Swissair flights to Prague. Aeroflot in negotiating landing rights in Western nations is able to trade landing rights not only in the Soviet Union but also in any of the other Communist states where it suits the Aeroflot purpose. Today it operates in every Soviet satellite except Albania and encourages the individual satellites to establish national airlines.

Aeroflot sources recall, in connection with present unscheduled Soviet jet flights to the U.S. that Pan-American World Airways has indicated interest in flying service to the Orient, but they doubt if any Western airline would attempt to compete against the Soviet jets with present propeller aircraft.

Caravelle Sets Record

● The Caravelle jet airliner streaked into Stockholm at 800 k.p.h. after a record two-hour 48-minute non-stop flight from Paris last week, despite a 30-knot-on-hour headwind to begin "Operation Snow-white," a month of ground and cold weather tests. At the controls of the French jet, ordered by Scandinavian Airlines System for 1959, was Pierre Nadot, chief test pilot for Sud-Aviation of France, builders of the Caravelle.



The Retodyne, Britain's most revolutionary aircraft — it flies vertically like a helicopter and forward like an orthodox plane — making its first flight. It has short, stubby wings and two jet-prop engines which drive it forward at about 150 m.p.h. Three cars can be stowed in its fuselage.

Swissair's New Orders

● Swissair has decided to purchase a seventh long distance DC-7c Seven Seas aircraft which is to be delivered at the beginning of 1959. This new machine will make it possible for the Swiss Aviation Company to meet more easily the demands caused by the increase in traffic on its long-distance network of air lines, until the Douglas DC-8 jet can be put into service in 1960.

Honour for K.L.M.

● The 1956 K.L.M. Annual report which was singled out for special praise in these columns, has won a prize in the annual contest organised by the New York financial paper, "Financial World," for the best produced annual report in the international airlines category.

1957: Million Fly Atlantic

● In 1957, for the first time in the history of civil aviation the 14 airliners which operate scheduled services across the North Atlantic carried more than a million passengers in one year. The total for both directions between North America and Europe was 1,023,000. In 1956 the total had been 834,800. Last year K.L.M. carried 91,000 passengers on that route, as against 70,000 in 1956 — an increase of 29 per cent.

K.L.M.'s share of the total air traffic on the North Atlantic route in 1957 was also higher than in 1956, viz. 8.9 per cent as compared with 8.4 per cent. According to an IATA publication, the shipping companies transported a total of 1,030,000 passengers between the U.S.A./Canada and the European seaports in 1957.

ROUND THE EXHIBITIONS

Rabus Woodcuts

THIS week's Jerusalem art event is the small exhibition of coloured woodcuts by Carl Rabus at the Nora Studio. In some of his abstract compositions, like the "Theme Dynamique," the Belgian artist achieves a balanced harmony in the division of space that is related to Mondrian. There is a haunting, mysterious beauty in Rabus's prints "Cabbale," "Petite Alchemie," or "Jongleur Cosmique" which have something of the hidden formula of secret lore, related to the old ornamental writings on the walls of oriental synagogues.

One accepts this tiny display of the Brussels master as a distinguished introduction and looks forward to the promised exhibition of his pictures.

Lea Majaro-Mintz

LEA Majaro-Mintz, exhibiting at the Artists House, is at present wholly occupied with motherhood. She offers us pictures of the baby over and over again, and when it is not the baby itself, it is fairy-tale cities for it.

I liked the series of "Explorations" most, which offers wholly charming illustration to very discerning observations in child psychology. "Adam and Eve" is a little work of touching beauty. The Jerusalem pictures show the dreamy art of Lea Mintz at its very best. One could remark that technically the artist has not progressed very much since she left Matusiak's studio, but her pleasant little world is somehow beyond criticism.

Samuel Rayoni

LIKE so many recent one-man shows at the Artists House, Samuel Rayoni's is also far too comprehensive. Why do our artists refuse to understand that a one-man show should be an instructive shop window of the artist's studio, and not a stock taking?

Wise selection and limitation would have brought out Rayoni's undeniable qualities, his gift for decorative colour and impressive composition, shown for instance in "Circus" and the unnumbered compositions in grey and pink.

One may regret the angry technique of Rayoni's brush, wholly unrelated to the rhythm of the composition. The result is a surface which is frequently so unpleasant that there is no need for the many "Do not Touch" warnings.

Museum for Eilat

A MUNICIPAL Art Museum, to be housed in a provisional building, will be opened this spring in Eilat. The backbone of the collection are 200 pictures and about 1,000 prints by important French and Italian artists, collected by the historian Miriam Rivich on her travels during her research into Europe's Jewish communities. There will be, moreover, an Etzion Gober exhibit of models and photographs, and (best of all, perhaps) a comfortable studio at the disposal of visiting artists.

T.P.M.

A. Steimatzky

AVIGDOR Steimatzky's exhibition of paintings at the Tel Aviv Museum is one of the season's more interesting events, mainly because the better works show such development in an artist of whose potentialities one has been aware for many years. Unfortunately for the general effect, he has not been sufficiently selective; but the number of works from the 70-odd shown to about 40 and this would have been a memorable collection. But even as it is, there are sufficient finely realised paintings to reveal his achievement.

Steimatzky is a sensitive painter with genuine lyrical feeling and a beautiful sense for subtle colour and nuances; there is practically no

BRUNO SIMON: Mask of a man (From 38 artist's current exhibition in Tel Aviv).

work either in oils or watercolour which does not have some lovely passages in it. Nearly all the works are semi-abstract, a recollection of things not only seen with the eye but "experienced in the heart" as Manessier has put it. Steimatzky is at his best when he does not completely abandon reality and when the basic subject comes through the abstract pattern and gives the work structural force. This one may best observe in the "interiors" and still-life such as the several "Studies," where one glimpses a window, table with vase and other objects. But even in some of the nebulous landscape-themes he introduces an almost representational figure or two, as if to chain the whole to a point of reality.

The works are about equally divided between oils and watercolours and he uses both mediums in much the same manner, with the result that of the two, the paintings in the weaker medium are stronger, and most of them have unusual depth and richness of colour. Even when the artistic results are least worth consideration, Steimatzky remains a painter.

Ronnen Monotypes

THOSE who know Meir Ronnen from his cartoons in The Jerusalem Post now have an opportunity to make his acquaintance as a gifted creator of monotypes of which he is showing some 30 examples at the ZO.A. House. The subject is the South African Bantu and his landscape, the result of an extended stay in that part of the world. This is a really interesting series, notable for vitality of expression, especially in the studies of dancers which have a sort of almost fierce dynamism. The surface texture is varied, grained or mottled and Ronnen uses colour sparingly but with effect. The half-dozen pen and ink line drawings confirm the impression of his authority in this sphere. There is a brilliant line sketch of a dancer, some acutely observed studies of types and his drawings of the Afrikander bull (also a subject for the monotypes) have a solidity which makes them impressive.

S. Moshkovitz

THE Kats Galleries is showing a number of paintings by Shalom Moshkovitz of Safad, one of Israel's few genuine "primitives." A man of advanced years, Moshkovitz was engaged in painting children's toys when his gift for colour and design aroused the attention of the painter Yossel Bergner who persuaded him to try his hand at painting proper. The result has been a series of depictions of Biblical scenes, expressed with a childlike candour and simplicity. But the works are more than just "amusing." Mr. Moshkovitz has real feeling for design and composition and nearly all his efforts have a pleasing decorative value plus their disarming sincerity.

Simon's Sculpture

THE Behrendt and Moses Bookshop at 106 Ben Yehuda Street is currently showing a small collection of works by the sculptor Bruno Simon, who has not exhibited in Tel Aviv before, although one of his works may be seen in Gan Ha'atzmaut and he had a show last year at the Artists House in Jerusalem.

Most of the pieces are portrait busts with which Simon is very successful since he is able not only to portray character and catch a likeness but also to produce works which are satisfactory from the point of view of formal design. Bound to awaken most interest is the recently executed head of Prime Minister Ben-Gurion. Simon modelled the portrait at Sde Boker in about half-a-dozen sittings. It is a powerful piece of work, broadly conceived and somewhat stylised, and a good likeness which brings out the characteristics of resoluteness and astuteness. It is particularly fine seen in profile and three-quarters' view. Another good piece of work is the "Mask of Man" (bronze) with its very simply modelled forms while the children's heads are also worth note.

He also shows some small-scale models of abstract sculpture of which one, two leaf-like interwoven forms, is particularly good.

B.W.

Z. Brenner

ZIPPORA Brenner, exhibiting oils, gouaches and drawings, is having her first Haifa show at Chagall House.

The clue to her style lies in "Mountain Side" (1), of which both oil and gouache versions are displayed. Personally I prefer the more full-blooded oil but that may be a matter of taste. Both pictures typically strike a note of smooth, low toned, thickly contoured, highly controlled painting which otherwise might run riot in intensity. She is a very skilful painter but an artistic assessment is complicated by the unassimilated influences.

The various "Interiors" are plain Matisse and her female portraits ("Sitting Girl," "Chestnut," "Red Haired Girl"), down to the colour division of the figures, bear the mark of Braque. Consequently the technicality of style alone reveals the working of her mind towards a formal composition. On the other hand, the ink drawings in fairly continuous lines, less perfected in their execution, are more humanized and may prove a talent for expressive illustration.

Itzkowitz Abstracts

SHLOMO Itzkowitz, who is exhibiting simultaneously upstairs, has now developed as a colourist. His six "Abstractions," although hampered by their small size, are a kaleidoscope of luxuriant colour in a composition reminiscent of streaked marble. Red may be arranged with blues or yellow may dominate a background of dark blue.

But it is in his oils that you will find the new Itzkowitz who proves his seriousness by starting from source, viz. from the mixing of his pigments. A combination of oil and lacquer produces a stippled texture which permits him to traverse the gamut from the angular, clearly delineated formalism of the "Still Lifes" to a near-abstract Impressionism (not to be confused with Abstract Impressionism). It reaches its apogee in two flower studies, No. 3 a mass of white and pale blue issuing from red and No. 5 of red debouching from yellow, while "Dancer" shows the use of this stippling for a softer style.

His black and white lacquer pictures resemble the "Abstractions" in the streaked marble effect. This time the basic form is still recognisable through the monochrome ("Trees" and "Landscape with Olive Trees"). Good work too but I prefer the full colours — original and solid.

H.

First Show

Mr. Yosef Shitreet, son of the Minister of Police, Mr. Behor Shitreet, recently held his first exhibition of paintings in Montevideo. He is a Secretary at the Legation there.

The artist's works were shown at "Hebraica," the country club of the Uruguayan Hebrew Association, and received favourable reviews. A number of the works were bought.

Dali's Latest

PARIS, (N.A.N.A.). — Way up in the dizzy heights of Montmartre, Salvador Dali has come up with a new idea. He's been producing pictures by firing eggs.

Dali worked it this way. He fixed a lithographic stone on a spindle, turned it at speed, then threw an egg-shell, filled with ink, at the stone from a distance of a metre.

As an egg-pitcher Dali is no better than the rest of us, so now he's firing ink-cartridges at the stone — from an antique firearm. The spinning stone whirls the ink into extraordinary doodles.

Then the master adds a few imaginative strokes of the pen and Voilà!, a work of art.

Radio Review

Rediscovering the Bible

PROFESSOR Hugo Bergmann and Dr. Zvi Werblewsky were again at the microphone this week to follow up their previous discussion on the position of religion in the modern world, and once again the contents were head and shoulders above the regular run of programmes. Although probably of minority interest, these two broadcasts have been immensely stimulating and worthwhile, and I would like to see these two thinkers given a regular opportunity to mull over contemporary philosophical and theological problems over the air. It also demonstrated the ideal radio format (as opposed to a straight talk) for a scientific topic.

This time the two wise men considered the mythology of the Bible and its significance for contemporary man. They maintained that the problems besetting Jewish thinkers were almost identical to those in Christian theology and therefore the ferment in Christian thought could be applied to Judaism. One potential solution to the seeming archaisms of Biblical mythology is to reject these stories and concepts at their face value but for each individual to reinterpret these myths for himself (rather as the Rabbis instructed all Jews on Passover to regard themselves as though they themselves had gone out of Egypt). This interpretation is, of course, no novelty for anyone familiar with the various brands of Progressive Judaism, Professor Bergmann, for his part, suggested that mythology and religion are inseparable and that there is a mythological reality; if we fail to discover this reality, this may well be a sign that, as a result of changed circumstances, we have lost certain aspects of perception which were in the power of earlier generations, and that what we call "progress" blinds our spiritual faculties. The task of modern man would then be to rediscover this power of perception.

Vague Discussion

THE high level and fascination of this discussion was in contrast to the dullness of the preceding "Round Table Argument" on the role of lawyers. This programme, which was put out at a peak listening hour (in contrast to the Bergmann-Werblewsky talk, which was broadcast comparatively late), was too far removed from the topical topics with which this series should deal. It was a fair academic discussion but I wonder who followed it right through. The subject should have been far more defined and pungent (and not a vague "Lawyers in the Eyes of the Public"). For these programmes, it is essential to pose a specific and controversial question, and save the listeners the embarrassment of hearing the participants having to feel around for points on which to argue.

Record Playing

GREAT progress has been achieved in the past couple of years in the quality of record playing. It is now extremely seldom that we suffer from those scratchy discs which used to be so prevalent. The standard of reproduction is accordingly much enhanced.

One practice in record playing that I find extremely annoying is a habit in some record request programmes of playing half a record, stopping it or fading out to announce the title and requesters, and then taking it up or beginning all over again. Even if there is trouble with timing, it would be preferable to play half of a fresh record than to ruin the old one.

Sadistic Ballads

GALEI Zahal's Friday night entertainment, "9.15," is struggling valiantly to make something of itself. There is a slight improvement to report but it still falls short of what we expect. Last week the conversation between the two editors was somewhat less hesitant than previously, while the translated song was not a piece of sentimental drooling but one of the sadistic ballads of that Charles Addams of folk-song writers, Tom Lehrer; the Hebrew version was by Didi, and the contents had more wit than the usual run of popular song. The other items ranged from mediocre to bad, the latter category applying to an extremely dull and pointless piece about a man ringing doorbells.

PICK OF NEXT WEEK'S LISTENING: Charpentier's "Te Deum" (Second wavelength, Sun. at 6.05); Press Conference with Levi Eshkol (Sun. at 8.30); Aristophanes' "The Acharnians" (Sun. at 10.15); Czech Jazz (Sun. at 10.45); International Choir Festival in Italy (Mon. at 6.05; second wavelength); "Portrait in Black and White" by Prosper Merimee (Mon. at 9.30); Mordecai Seter's "Tiktum Hatzot" (Tues. at 9.15).

AUDIO

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
422, 249, 33.3 & 41.7 M.

News: Hebrew: Today: 6.35, 7.00 & 7.55 a.m. 1.30, 4.00, 7.00, 9.00, 11.00 p.m. Tomorrow: 6.30 a.m. 1.30, 7.00, 9.00 and 11.00 p.m. English: 1.45 pm French: 2.00 p.m.

TODAY

6.30 Service. 6.37 Calisthenics. 6.47 Musical Clock (R). 8.00 Close Down.
12.00 N. Lunchtime Music — Soloist: Charles Trenet (Vocalist). 12.30 Oriental Songs. 12.45 Sephardic Tunes. 1.00 Symphonic Dances. 2.15 Close Down.
3.15 Yemenite Programme. 3.30 Kabbalat Shabbath. 4.00 Youth Corner. 4.30 News in English, Swedish & Spanish and a light music programme. 5.05 Opera: "Cambiale di Matrimonio" (Rossini). 6.00 Bible Reading. 6.15 "Ron Ami." 6.25 Literary Quiz. 7.15 We Present Tonight. 7.30 The Week through the eyes of the writer. 7.50 Light Music. 8.00 Around Our World. 8.10 Portrait of a Settlement. Buddy de Franco (Clarinet) & Del Wood (Piano). 9.15 Friday Evening Concert: Brandenburg Concerto No. 6 in B-flat-major (Bach); Ballade for Harp & Small Orchestra (Y. Kaminski); Sinfonia Concertante in E-flat-major for Four Wind Instruments & Orchestra K.297b (Mozart). 10.30 Bedtime Music. 11.10 Close Down.

TOMORROW

7.30 a.m. Service and Morning Melodies. 8.45 Shabbat Morning Concert: Organ Concerto (C. Ph. E. Bach); Partita for Double String Orchestra (Vaughan-Williams). 9.30 "New Inventions." 9.45 Pleasant Tunes. 10.10 Musical Quiz. 10.30 Literary Corner. 11.00 Popular Concert. — "La Boutique Fantasque" (Rossini-Respighi). 11.30 "Three in One Boat" (Rep.). 12.30 Requests (R). 1.00 "Theatre and Screen." 2.15 Close Down.
4.00 Chamber Music — Quartet in F for Oboe & Strings (Mozart); String Quartet (Shostakovitch). 4.45 Cantoral Recordings. 5.15 Art and Culture. 5.40 Light Music by E.Y. Orchestra. 6.00 "Science Studio" — Fourth in a Series of Talks by Y. Shimoni. 6.15 Rumba Rhythm. 6.30 "The Poem & Music" — Ed. Y. Malchin. 7.15 "Guests in the Studio." 7.30 "Hamavdil & Melave Malka." 8.00 Quiz — Mr. Rosen. 8.30 Variety. 8.55 Bible Reading: Psalms 75 & 76. 9.10 Sport. 9.30 Classical Request Programme — Introduction & Rondo (Symphonie Gothique) (Boessel); Symphony No. 4 in F-minor, op. 36 (Tchaikovsky). 10.15 "Ten Years Ago." 10.30 Dance Music. 12.00 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
422, 480, 298.7, 41.7 & 33.3 M.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: Today: 6.00 Light Music. 6.30 Concert Preview. 7.00 French. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Rumanian. 8.15 Hungarian. 8.30 Ladino. 9.00 Interval. 9.15 Hebrew Lesson. 9.30 News in Easy Hebrew. 9.45 Polish. 10.00 News in English. 10.15 Close Down.
Tomorrow: 6.00 Folk Dances. 6.30 Music from Films & Shows. 7.00 French. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Rumanian. 8.15 Hungarian. 8.30 Ladino. 9.00 Interval. 9.15 Mograbit. 9.30 News in Easy Hebrew. 9.45 Polish. 10.00 News in English. 10.15 Close Down.

ARABIC PROGRAMME
480 & 41.7 M.

Arabic Programme (including News): Today & Tomorrow — 6.30—7.15 a.m. 1.15—2.15 and 5.30—6.45 p.m.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (33.3 M).
Programme to South Africa: Today: 6.30 News. 6.37 "In the Jewish World." 6.45 Sabbath Programme. 7.00 Hebrew transmission "For Sabbath Eve." 7.15 Yiddish. Tomorrow: 6.30 News. 6.40 "Ten Years Ago." 6.50 The Week in the Knesset. 7.00 Melaveh Malka. 7.15 Yiddish.
Programme for the U.K.: Today: 11.30 News. 11.40 "In the Jewish World." 11.50 Orchestral Interlude. 12.00 Sabbath Programme. Tomorrow: 11.30 News. 11.45 "Ten Years Ago." 11.50 The Week in the Knesset. Midnight: Melaveh Malka.

ARMY PROGRAMME
(42.8, 214, 320 & 205 M.): Today: 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Request Programme. 7.00 News. 7.10 Greeting the Sabbath. 7.30 The Week in Israel and in the World. 7.40 Songs of the Nations. 8.00 Friday Night Concert: Works by Bach & Mendelssohn. 9.00 News. 9.15 Musical Sketch. 10.00 Dance Music. 11.00 Close Down.
Tomorrow: 6.30 Opening. 6.35 "The Night Following Shabbat." 7.00 News. 7.10 Song Parade. 7.40 "Folk Dances." 8.00 Tunes from Broadway and Hollywood. 9.00 News. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.30 Close Down.

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(31.55, 19.84 & 24.92 M.): 7.15-7.45 p.m. Today: News. News Talk. British Affairs. Tomorrow: News. News Talk. Review of the weekly British Press. Contact Programme. Short interview with Israel Students in London.

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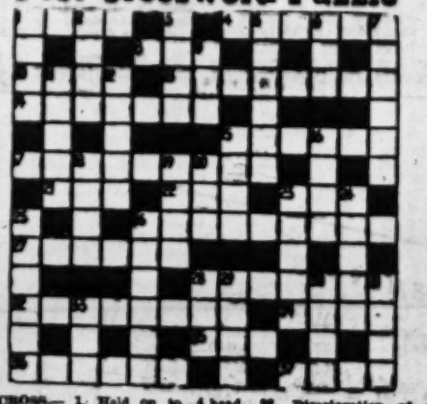

ACROSS.— 1. Hold on to. 4. A lot of food may be spared. 8. Call from a black flier. 10. Animal that might give a party? 13. Is of help when you're sailing east. 14. Sticks out. 15. Thus beautiful fabric is a comfort. 17. Taken to stop you from dying? 21. Sinai town. 23. He takes part in a sealing expedition. 23. Fixed the radio perhaps. 26. Projected personalities. 29. Trial or transaction. 33. An excellent letter? 32. Hoses with the tail of a lion. 34. Messages. 35. One way or the other, it's a big success. 36. Fame, but one has no heart for it. 37. Just a drop of ink.

DOWN.— 1. Salute with the lips. 2. A sound from the belfry. 3. Isn't this tennis the real thing? 5. It's highly inflammable. 6. On page four. 7. Elusive customer. 9. Soak with water. 11. Goes without, saying. 12. He may hand it to you! 15. Thin, and somewhat slimy. 16. Sunken space. 18. Just amptitudes. 19. Vessel with a lip. 20. A's had fun! Jill to him her head. 24. Disintegration of the tin? 24. A rare pleasure. 25. Slacker. 28. The sort of land where you may fall and say out? 28. She delivers the milk! 29. Brief admission of ignorance about authorship? 30. Is it instrumental in lifting the last? 31. Went away? That's not right! 32. Mama's woman naturally has.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

ACROSS.— 1. Solo (so low). 4. Smoker. 8. Kid. 10. Used. 13. Low notes. 14. Parable. 15. Roame-d. 17. Round over. 19. Try. 22. Ran. 23. Amp(ere). 25. Man on fire. 27. Cretin. 28. (Statue of) Liberty 32. Romaine. 34. Roes. 35. Gin. 36. Risked. 37. Bear (skin).

DOWN.— 1. Se-up. 2. Leer. 3. Will (power). 5. Men-ter. 6. Kit. 7. Reside. 9. Doe. 11. Sabot. 12. Danny (Boy). 15. Reno. 16. Mimi. 18. Urge. 19. Oran. 20. Van. 22. (Morning) After. 24. Prate. 25. Scorer. 26. Minnie. 28. Leg. 29. Isig. 30. Rota. 31. Bear. 33. Ibex.

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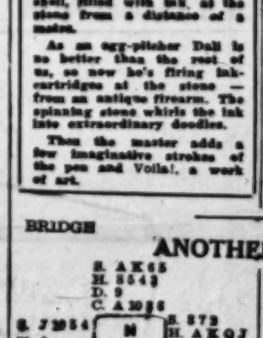
By JERUSALEMITE

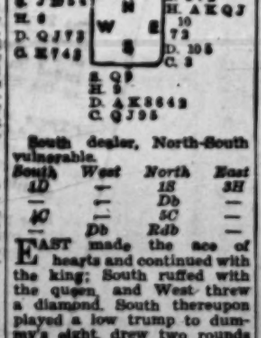


South dealer, North-South vulnerable.

South	West	North	East
1D	—	1S	3H
—	—	Db	—
4C	—	5C	—
—	Db	Rdb	—

EAST made the ace of hearts and continued with the king; South ruffed with the queen, and West threw a diamond. South thereupon played a low trump to dummy's eight, drew two rounds of diamonds and ruffed a third diamond in dummy.

It now became possible to account for every single card West held, and South could have finished the game by re-entering his hand with the second spade and forcing West with diamonds. But declarer saw a more attractive finish. He took three rounds of spades, establishing the following situation:



Now came dummy's last heart, and South discarded a diamond. West let go the spade — ruffing would have done him no good at all — and East played another heart. This time declarer ruffed and West had to abandon whatever hope he might have had of ever making his well-protected king of trumps.

LOOKING FOR THE GOOD HOUSEWIFE

By Malka Rabinowitz

FOR the second year running, an elaborate competition has been organized to find the woman who best represents the outstanding qualities of Israel's homemakers.

The machinery for this year's quest was put into motion on December 20 — Mother's Day — when a questionnaire was distributed in the streets. It consisted of a set of queries, each of which posed a problem, followed by a choice of answers. In the following weeks it was reprinted in the Hebrew and foreign language press.

Over 12,000 women filled in these forms. Whatever else may have acted as an incentive, there was certainly a strong lure in the 10 substantial prizes offered, including a IL500 bank deposit, kitchen appliances, or a ten-day vacation at any luxury hotel.

Twelve thousand being too many to cope with individually, the applications were sent off to the Institute for Applied Social Research in Jerusalem, to be fed through I.B.M. machines.

Only 200 applications made it safely through the machines. And the 200 women who filled them out are now the nervous, calm, friendly or flustered objects of visits by preliminary field units.

Housewife with Everything

Last week, we joined one of these units — Mrs. Ruth Shahar, who, with her husband, runs Eli Advertising (the Haifa agency that organized the competition) and Mrs. Inge Kligsberg, a pleasant young Haifa matron.

As our car headed out of Haifa towards Tiberias, Mrs. Shahar fingered four blank forms marked only with the names of the women we were to see that day and murmured, "We have to find a housewife who has everything."

Everything, as indicated on the interviewers' forms includes the cultural level of the housewife, her reception of guests, how many times a week she has help, her attitude towards children, and other items of this nature.

"It isn't easy," Mrs. Shahar sighed. "Last year there was a wonderful Turkish woman with 10 children, A marvellous housewife and mother, but totally illiterate. Well, she got to the finals because I fought for her before the elimination committee. She didn't get first prize, but she certainly created a considerable impression. On the day of the practical test, two finalists fainted with excitement. But she just took a look around her — there were hordes of photographers and radio and film technicians milling about, not to mention the judges and all sorts of strays —and she said 'Would anybody like a cup of coffee?' And she made some for everybody, too."

Cake Good

Our first stop was at Arbel, an eight-year-old moshav high above Tiberias. We found Mrs. A. in the kindergarten, where she works half days, and she said she had been expecting us (finalists receive postcards mentioning a visit "within four days"). A thin, tense, dark-haired woman with the clear, ruddy complexion of a farm woman, Mrs. A. explained as we walked to her house that she and her husband were among the few remaining original settlers in Arbel and that the settlement was now switching over to individual farming because so many people kept leaving. She brought out slippers so we could leave our muddy shoes outside and proceeded to show us through her two-room house. It was as clean as a whistle. In the bedroom shared by her three children, Mrs. A. voluntarily threw open the wardrobe. Rows of towels and linen were stacked with military precision, as soldiers on parade. Before we left, she insisted we taste some of the cake that stood unsut on the kitchen table. It was excellent.

A 10-minute drive away, we found number 929 Shikun Gimmel, which Mrs. S., the next candidate on the list, had given as her address.

Overlooking an incredibly lovely view of the Sea of Galilee, the *shikun* is a collection of greyish box houses that were completed last year to replace tin *ma'abara* huts that had for years been defacing the Tiberias landscape.

Mrs. S.'s two rooms had the basic requirements of beds, tables and chairs with a few lively curtains and pictures to brighten things up. A newcomer from Egypt last year, Mrs. S. said that her husband, an accountant, had found a job almost immediately with the Tiberias branch of a large firm. Valiantly conducting the conversation in French, Mrs. Shahar asked to see any handiwork and Mrs. S. showed us some beautifully finished sweaters and clothes she had made for her two children.

Did she find life difficult here after Egypt? "We had a large house and two servants there," Mrs. S. said without bitterness. But the family was getting along. "*Les enfants ont beaucoup grandi.*"

Back in the car, Mrs. Shahar regretfully marked a minus next to the item "power of expression," commenting that Mrs. S. couldn't speak Hebrew.

A swift drive along the blue-green lake shore brought us to the half century old settlement of Kinneret where rose bushes lined compact, quietly comfortable villas.

Mrs. C., in slacks and sweater, showed us around a spacious, tastefully furnished two-and-a-half room house and displayed her three month old baby with pride. The daughter of a Rosh Pina family, the young woman told us she was 24, had been married for two years and was a trained practical nurse. A home-made banana pie was the bill of fare as she talked about the settlement ("It hasn't developed sufficiently. We need a local council here"), her social life ("We go to Tiberias in a friend's jeep whenever there's a visiting theatre, but mostly we just get together in the evenings and the men talk while we knit"), and her own extra-curricular work ("As a nurse, I'm sort of an unofficial first aid station in the settlement").

All we knew about the last woman on the list was that she lived in Safad and had nine children, aged 40 to 13. Some local street urchins helped us to find the house. It was tucked behind a venerable quarter, which centuries before had seen the flowering of Kabbala mysticism.

In a small room crammed with framed photographs of married children and shabby, comfortable furniture, the field unit heard a story which would not fit tidily into the interviewers' form but beat many works of fiction for epic romance.

Safad's Matriarch

A dignified, handsome woman of 57, Mrs. M. was born in Safad, the daughter of a rich merchant of Persian origin. She had never learned to read or write, education not having been considered necessary for girls. At 16, she married a local boy who was engaged in the manufacture of cheese. This, we were informed by one of Mrs. M.'s sons who came in, was a trade specialty of Safad. Mr. M.'s business carried him to surrounding Arab villages where he manufactured cheese on the spot.

Five years after marriage, Mr. M. had a bad fall and was for a long time confined to his bed. His wife thereupon took over the business, daily strapping her small children and the primitive equipment to a mule and

riding off to the Arab villages. Caught once at the outbreak of a riot, Mrs. M. hastily took shelter with a friendly Arab, concealed the children and disguised herself. They remained there for three months, until it was safe to return to Safad.

Journey to Latrun

When, later, her husband was bedridden for longer and longer periods, this daughter of a rich and respected family hired herself out as a washerwoman, turning down her family's pleas that she leave her husband and go to live with them. Mrs. M. insisted that her children finish their education and would not consider sending them out to help support the family. In the tense years preceding the War of Liberation, the British suspected (rightly) that one of her sons belonged to an underground movement and they imprisoned him in Latrun for four years. Most of Mrs. M.'s wages at this time went towards making the tedious journey to Latrun, where a bribe was sometimes successful in enabling her to see her son.

As the children grew up and began earning money, Mrs. M. refused their pleas to have some household help. "We absolutely insisted once," her son told us "and a couple of hours after the secret had gone we found her re-scrubbing the floors."

Now the matriarch of a family that includes 22 grandchildren, all of whom take an enormous pride in her, Mrs. M. continues to look after her home single-handed (four unmarried children still live there), take care of her invalid husband and offer unbounded, genuine hospitality to all visitors.

At the end of this month, representatives of WIZO, the Working Mothers' Organization and women's page editors will meet as a judges committee to discuss the field reports and whittle down the number of candidates to 10. On March 3, these will be summoned to Haifa for a practical test of cooking, washing and ironing, following which Mayor Abba Khoushy, patron of the contest, will festively announce the name of Israel's champion housewife at a ceremony in City Hall.

Buyers for Israel Week in Paris

By Mark Segal

"ISRAEL goods should sell well in France if handled properly," according to M. Andre Lenfant, buyer for "Au Printemps," one of the largest Parisian department stores (350,000 clients pass through its doors daily), and M. Jean Jaquesmet, future manager of "Maison d'Israel." Both have come here to "look, meet, bargain and buy," but with different viewpoints.

M. Lenfant's buying trip is the result of a previous visit by M. Camille Hagoberg, General Manager of "Au Printemps," who agreed, on the initiative of our Paris Embassy, to hold an "Israel Week" in the spring. Their host, Dr. E. Justic-Dayan, General Manager of the Israel Corporation for Fairs and Exhibitions, sent samples to Paris, the French Government agreed to issue an import licence for $95,000 worth of goods, and M. Lenfant took the next plane.

A buyer of 28 years' standing, he has for the past 10 days been visiting factories, viewing mannequin parades and interviewing at least 30 businessmen a day. He pays tribute to his host's organization — "just like clockwork" — and he was helped in his choice by small exhibitions organized at the Corporation's premises and by the Manufacturers' Association.

He was enthusiastic about local fashions, but made a businessman's observation: "They are good, but prices are much too high for our clientele." Maskit's use of folklore is first-class, its fabrics are good, its style excellent, but the prices of its models are as high as those charged by Christian Dior's establishment, he says. He also likes their carpets and accessories, but much will depend on the price tag before a deal can be closed.

Other collections such as Dorina, Aled and Elanit, M. Lenfant found to be of good quality and style. His biggest individual purchase so far is a $4,500 order for Mia's brassieres and girdles "which will definitely meet the requirement of Parisiennes." Another line he liked was Telva Models, for which he had already placed an order for $1,500 while in Paris but doubled his purchase after viewing their collection here. In general, M. Lenfant says "Israel knitwear is excellent, and its fashion line and quality up to Paris standards."

Samples of Lodsia nylon stockings, tested in France and found to have a perfect finish, brought in a $2,000 order. Matakin's raincoats will also have an honoured place at "Au Printemps."

M. Lenfant's search for the "specialité and folklore" motif was somewhat restricted due to the great similarity between much of the local merchandise and French products. Nevertheless, he found possibilities in "Everest" ceramics and said that its ash trays would be quite a hit, as well as the jugs with the "Nazareth and Cross" motif. Really beautiful enamelled goods of Ilana Harell had caught his fancy, whilst "a deal is in the offing" with the Wizo Shops, whose embroidered blouses, scarves and handbags he greatly admired. A part of his "few thousand dollars" order from Wizo would include dolls, table mats and raffia work.

Other buys stretch from Lion-Playing Cards, Taya's "Eau De Jordan," Lieber and Elite chocolates to old maps of the Holy Land and an assortment of Hed Artzi records.

Other large department stores throughout Europe have expressed interest in the Paris shop's project and may follow its example, M. Lenfant revealed.

M. Jaquesmet's work will really begin when the Israel Week ends, for he is to manage the "Maison d'Israel" — a permanent shop for Israel goods which is to open in Paris's elegant Rue de la Paix. The shop will occupy the entire ground floor of the French-Israel Centre, which will also house the Israel Tourist Bureau and the Israel-France Chamber of Commerce.

End of Influenza

By Dr. Arthur Michaels

THE warmer weather will soon be here and will chase away the colds and influenza of the winter, the memory of the great epidemic of Asian influenza will fade away and our health authorities will cease to worry about the second wave. Fortunately, in Israel, as in most other countries of the world, the influenza hardly disrupted everyday life and even though nearly a third of the inhabitants of this country fell ill the effect was short-lived.

This proportion of sickness, from a quarter to a third, was the same in most countries of the world: the wave of influenza enveloped the nation and passed over. Everywhere it remained a mild disease although a very slightly greater proportion of old people and those with severe heart disease died than might have been expected for the time of the year. It is estimated that the epidemic did not claim more than 12 victims as a direct result of infection with the virus, in this country.

Those who remembered the 1918-1919 epidemic feared a second wave and there was much loose talk about this possibility a couple of months ago. This fear was intensified by the happenings in Japan. There, large areas of the country escaped the first wave completely when it came in the early summer. In the fall, when the schools reassembled, they seemed to become a focal point for a new wave of spread of the influenza and this second bout was more widespread though not more severe, than the first one. It wasn't really a second wave in the true sense, however, as much of the country affected first was spared the second attack. Countries like Israel with a very high attack rate, will almost certainly be spared any further epidemic. What has happened, however, is that the seasonal 'flu seems more pronounced and the Asian 'flu virus is probably still around in a more local form having become more selective in its activities. Isolated small outbreaks are thus still occurring and one hears of more cases in Tel Aviv or an outbreak in an isolated kibbutz amongst people who escaped the illness before. According to the World Health Organization this is the same as the situation in most other countries — the epidemic wave still has a wrinkle in its tail.

The passing of winter will most probably see the last of these cases and as people get out more and the chances of infection drop and the industrial resistance rises, then the greatest epidemic for nearly 40 years will become only a memory. It is a sad reflection on the progress of science during this period that speed of communication only served to help the spread of the epidemic. Nothing that man had learned about the behaviour of disease was of any use to delay its spread, let alone stop it, when the time came.

Dear Boys and Girls!

THIS week we have a very sad letter. At least, for us it is sad. After being in Israel for a year and a half, we are returning to South Africa for family reasons. None of us wants to, but as we have to, we must face it smiling.

We shall never forget Israel or our Hebrew, because for the first time we have felt proud of being a Jew. In other countries of the world we have always felt that nothing belongs to us.

Of course, we know that when we return to South Africa there will be no more dishwashing or making of beds. But even if we have to wash dishes and make beds we still want to remain in Israel.

Also, until we arrived here all the stories in the Bible were like fairy tales, but when we got here and were told "This is the place where David slew Goliath," and "This is the place where Jonah set forth on his adventure with the whale," then we began taking more interest in our Bible lessons.

One consolation is that we will miss the rest of the winter here and are going into the summer where everyone is enjoying the sunshine.

We hope that whoever takes over this column will have as much fun as we have had and will make as many friends — and of course we hope that one day we will be back.

Lehitraot!

JENNY

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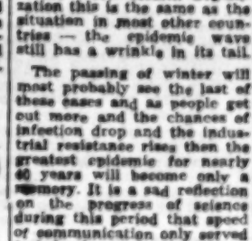

It's A Trapeze

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Seasonal Low Cost Menus

By Molly Bar-David

THIS is the time of year, I find, when I get budget-minded. The thoughts of spring in the offing, with the Purim and Passover festivals and all the expense surrounding them, makes me count pennies and think I'd better be careful now, while the opportunity is here. Fortunately, citrus is at its best and most abundant, and the vegetable stands have loads of plump carrots, cauliflowers and cabbages, lettuces, radishes, kohlrabi, squash and beetroot.

Meat, being prohibitively priced, has to wait for the ration to come. But some parts of offal are not so costly, and they are very tasty if properly cooked; moreover, from the point of nutrition, meat "inners" are richer in calories, vitamins and other valuable food contents. Fish is still the old standby. Salt herring can be made up many ways, all piquant and wonderful, and this protein is as cheap as cheap can be. Eggs, too, are always plentiful in spring, to help keep within a budget. Here are just some suggestions for the main meal of the day.

Sunday
Lentil soup
Sausage with eggs
Mashed Potatoes
Cabbage-Carrot Salad
Broiled Grapefruit.
Monday
Tomato Soup
Curried fish fillets
Fried Rice
Harvard Beets
Sugared orange slices
Tuesday
Pea Soup
Macaroni and Cheese
Lettuce Salad
Radish Roses
Blancmange, orange sauce.
Wednesday
Borsht (Ostsali) Soup
Ostsali
Cabbage with currocsy
Dumplings with gravy
Fresh Fruit salad.
Thursday
Chopped Herring on Lettuce
Creamed Cauliflower au Gratin
Potato chips
Spinach with Lemon-Butter
Banana with milk.
Friday
Chicken Soup
Roast chicken
Carrot Tzimmis
Noodle Kugel
Lemon Pie.
Shabbat
Gefilte Fish with Tossed Salad
Meatless Cholent
Compote and Mandelbrodt.

I like to have two side dishes to the protein dish, whether it be eggs, meat, fish or something *au gratin* (that is, with a cheese coating, that crusts in the oven). However, you may want only one side dish on week days; try to have either the dessert or the other dishes make up for the one you skip. For instance, if you are not having salad, be sure the dessert is of fresh fruit. If you skip the potato, macaroni, pulse or rice dish, try to get these ingredients into making the soup heartier. Oatmeal or semolina will do the same service and in fact, being cereals, they also have other virtues and it is wise at all times to think of using them when you can in a dish.

If soups are light they are merely pleasant stimulants and so, in February, when one needs extra calories, I'm all for soups that are hearty. Thicken them with flour or cereals. Put in plenty of vegetables. Some vegetables, like pumpkin, are very inexpensive and they do wonders for the flavour and quality of a soup. I do not find it economical to buy soup bones at the butcher's: they are expensive and they do not give enough for their cost to a soup. I therefore much prefer a soup powder or cube if my soup needs building-up.

Cholent is of course very good with a brisket of meat in it, but it is surprising how good it can be with just a piece of suet and soup seasoning. If you feel that you must have meat, try a piece of udder which is very cheap indeed, or such parts as lung (but add fat), or head meat, though these, too, come high in price. Right now chicken is much cheaper. You can make excellent *gefilte fish* of fish fillet and just a part of it carp, that has glutinous qualities which the fillet lacks, being boneless.

You need not put potatoes on the table every day, especially now when they are so scarce. Our variety of noodles provides the housewife with the basis of dozens of dishes. Try elbow macaroni with gravy, or have it with margarine, make noodle kugels, serve macaroni baked with yellow cheese in a thick white sauce rich with milk. Use rice, burghul, beans, pot'tim, for welcome changes. Oatmeal makes up into very good casserole dishes. Semolina makes the fluffiest dumplings, and flour makes very filling ones, as does maize meal. Don't always have "pudding" for dessert. Use citrus in season now, and later on vary your "afters" with cereal desserts, other fruits in season, baked pastries that are made of yeast dough with jam fillings, and of course sour cream combinations with jelly powders, etc., until the ice cream season comes and you put your refrigerator to work for you.

Bon appetit, and Good Saving!

Face Creams from Plants

Jerusalem Post Reporter

EXPERIMENTS with flowers in the sub-Alpine region of Grasse, in France, led to the discovery of vegetable stimulants which could be used in cosmetic treatment of the human skin. "Hydroseve," as this substance was called by Dr. Payot's Laboratories in Paris, proved of such value that cosmetic treatment has undergone a veritable revolution, M. Henry Claude Rosen, director of the Laboratories, told a press conference at the Dan Hotel in Tel Aviv on Wednesday.

The septuagenarian owner of the Laboratories, Dr. Nadine Payot, had set out to discover whether flowers could develop the same sort of infection-resistant bodies as animals do in producing vaccines. For three years experiments were conducted in the famous flower fields north of Cannes, in southern France, and finally the theory was proved correct. The stimulant was shown to be a perfect regulator: dry skins became less dry, and greasy skins lost their extra oiliness.

To obtain full benefit from the new method, Hydroseve products should not be used together with cosmetics made in the more traditional way, Dr. Payot has developed a whole line of products that include a tonic for use first thing in the morning, a day cream and an evening lotion for night-cleansing. Dr. Payot does not believe in covering the face with any cosmetic preparation for the night, for the skin needs to breathe freely for several hours.

The Hydroseve products were first introduced on the French market last summer, but have not yet come to this part of the world.

The French cosmetic industry, Mr. Rosen said, still leads the world—"although we have not the same amount of money to spend on publicity as some competitors from abroad do." In France, he noted, there was a marked drop in the sale of perfumes, but the sale of cosmetics is growing steadily.

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MIDEAST REVISITED

ISRAEL AND THE MIDDLE EAST. By Harry B. Ellis. 300 pp. New York: The Ronald Press. $4.

MULTITUDES IN THE VALLEY: Church and Crisis in the Middle East. By Denis Baly. Illustrated. 207 pp. Greenwich, Conn.: The Seabury Press. $5.

A VERY large part of the Middle Eastern problem," Denis Baly suggests, "rests in inability to see what kind of problem it is, for it is usually presented as in some way soluble." Not so with these two latest inspections of the problem. Though distilled from widely dissimilar juices — one author is a reporter, the other a missionary—both books close their covers with resignation.

The newspaperman, Harry B. Ellis, ends his appraisal of Israel-Arab and American-Soviet deadlock with nothing more promising than a tired but ominous phrase: "The gauntlet was cast down." The churchman, Mr. Baly, takes refuge on his last page in the cheery reflection that, though Civilization may perish, there is surely hope in a post-combat Hereafter.

Last year, Mr. Ellis, once foreign correspondent and currently a foreign editor of "The Christian Science Monitor," wrote heritage of the Desert: The Arabs and the Middle East." Like that volume, his "Israel and the Middle East" contains brief islands of good and direct reporting engulfed in a manual-like compendium of routine facts. If Mr. Ellis is rigorously barred from further library research he may yet write a book just on himself and the Middle East, and it is likely to be excellent throughout.

Here he reports sensitively on two places of pathos. One is the impoverished Jordanian village of Kalkilya, shorn from its Palestine farmlands, its embittered Arabs crossing the Armistice Line by night to pilfer their lost orchards, to sabotage and, in the ultimate logic of vengeance, to kill. The other is the Israel border settlement of Nir Eliashu, its Jewish colonists themselves lately fugitives, tilling their hardwon fields within range of Kalkilya's rifles, their children shielded from Arab fire only by the reverse slope of a hill.

But the bulk of Mr. Ellis' pages, in the dense style of a digest for college tests, lifelessly rehearses the basic data of claim, counter-claim and violence. It goes from the Covenant with Abraham to the covenant by Balfour; from the first gropings of Arab freedom to the Hussein-MacMahon and Sykes-Picot betrayals; from Mandate to war, refugee flight, Armistice, Suez, Akaba, Sinai and now Soviet arrival.

Its laborious portrait of Israel today reveals nothing new except some minor errors. A quicker glance at her Arab neighbours stresses the already known phenomenon of each one's terrible inner conflicts behind their "stone wall" against Israel. Objective and perhaps useful as another convenient summary, Mr. Ellis' review plods along without assistance from any novel ideas.

MR. Baly, on the other hand brims over with robust and generally knowledgeable opinion. Uncommitted readers may be disconcerted by his theological certitudes and his frequent irrefutable appeals to Scripture. Neither Moslem nor Jew will relish the unconscious but clear conviction of superiority with which he assesses their virtues and failings in religion and politics. Israelis

By Hal Lehrman

will surely bridle at his assertion of their clan-like loyalty to their community, their alleged disrespect for public authority, their "almost unlimited" ignorance of the Arabs. (Mr. Ellis, a more careful observer, stresses the Israelis' "remarkable understanding" of Arab attitudes.) Arabs, "the world's most difficult people to help," will hardly applaud Mr. Baly's assault on their "complacency, rigidity, inability to combine, lack of courage . . ."

But the former Principal of St. George's School (Anglican) in Jerusalem, now visiting lecturer at Kenyon College (Episcopalian) in Ohio, can also treat both antagonists with touching sympathy — and wallop his British compatriots, Americans, the West, even the churches and his own mission. "We have all sinned," he confesses, meaning national and imperial "selfishness" rather than mere private iniquity.

Written with admirable lucidity despite occasional misreadings of the evidence, "Multitudes in the Valley" illuminates many Middle Eastern dilemmas and shows how the complex creed and clashing purposes of each people and force have conjured up a mortal peril.

Stout Dogmatism

Is there a way out? Mr. Baly's dogma is so stout that it does not flinch before the Apocalyptic implications in a war of the worlds, if inevitable. Yet God, he proclaims, works His pattern with all instruments, even with frenzied nationalisms, Islam, Communism — and men are free to act in repair of their own evil.

For the Church, concerned preeminently with the Arabs because they are weaker, more numerous and "we, after all, gave them their education," he prescribes sharper denunciation of injustice and privilege. For Arabs and Israelis he recommends two mutual "acts of repentance": admission of Israel's existence, and disavowal of unlimited immigration. For the West he proposes such devices as clear warning against Soviet entry by force, NATO guarantee of Israel's borders, either total embargo on Arab arms or else Western supply of them, and vast economic aid to those underdeveloped territories which need it — vast enough to trim our own prosperity and hence serve as a convincing "act of faith."

Mr. Baly is no less aware than reader or reviewer of the obstacles to these programmes. Still, measured by the heroic stakes he marks out on the battleground "for men's minds," his remedies are at least as good as any so far proposed by brinkmen and statesmen.

S. RAAYONI: ACROSS THE FENCE (oil)
From the artist's current exhibition at the Jerusalem Artists House

Round the Bookshops

Hebrew . . .

A STORY about the other Eretz Israel still floundering about in the ma'bara is **Makom She'en Lo Shem** (A Place That Has No Name, Hakibbutz Hameuhad, IL-2.600) by Shlomo Schwartz. Here is the meeting place of figures, communities and members of aliya in their effort to become part and parcel of their new homeland, its life, its day-to-day problems... A very useful and entertaining literary work is the **Encyclopaedia Lehakhmei Hatalmud Vehageonim** (Biographical Dictionary of the Tannaim, Amoraim and Geonim, Chachik, IL7), which has just appeared in its fourth edition under the editorship of Mordecai Margolis with the collaboration of prominent scholars. Complete in two volumes . . . **Hakhmei Yisrael** (Jewish Sages, Zioni, IL9), also an encyclopaedia, deals with great Jews and events of the past millennium. By David Haiahmi . . . What is unique about the **Encyclopaedia Shel Hatzionut Hadatit** (Encyclopaedia of Religious Zionism, Vol. 1, A-D, Mossad Harav Kook, IL8.500), by Yitzhak Raphael, is that it deals only with men, ideas and concepts that have the religious-national stamp and approach.

Whether it is true that Bacon was really Shakespeare, or Ben Jonson, or "somebody else by the name of Shakespeare," it should suffice us to know that the works are there — no matter who the author. There was a time when the Nazis claimed him for themselves but the claim was promptly nailed by a self-r straining Englishman who countered: "But the English translation is excellent, don't you think?" Emil Feuerstein, who has just completed the first Hebrew monograph on **William Shakespeare** (Udim, IL4.400), is not in the least concerned with theories but rather with an analysis of his 32 dramas and his sonnets . . . **Totabri Navarone** (The Guns of Navarone, Hebrew translation by Meron Uriel, Idit, IL-3.900) is a World War II novel dealing with a group of Tommies isolated on a desert island with enemy guns pointing at them and threatening to blast them out of existence. Their outmaneuvring of the enemy and getting off the island makes gripping reading.

M.H.

. . . and Foreign

THERE are in our land several Theories of Incumbency which in many areas of our life have worked what we tend to call miracles: it was incumbent upon the Jewish people to create for itself a homeland; it was incumbent upon us to open the Gulf of Akaba; to drain the Hula swamps; to ingather our homeless brethren; to afforest our bare hillsides and fertilize our barren wastes — and we did, more or less. Just how the same engineering blueprints, the same dredges, steamrollers, tractors, can be used to implement the Theory of Incumbent Culture, however, escapes us. This theory holds, roughly, that:

- **It is incumbent upon certain classes of people, particularly the Jews of the free Anglo-Saxon Diaspora, to read certain Hebrew literature, in translation if—alas—the Hebrew language is alien to them;**
- **even if these people do not read this literature it is incumbent upon us to publish it in their tongue, for who knows?**
- **There are, in the United States for example, approximately five million Jews, and even if we assume that only twenty per cent are literate, then we have about one million prospective readers of Incumbent literature; let's get them!**

One recent attempt to "get them" is David Shimoni's **Idylla**, published in a bi-lingual edition by the Youth and Hechalutz Department of the Zionist Organization. With an English translation by I. M. Lask, this work was apparently intended for use as a textbook in America's Hebrew high schools and colleges, for there is an ornate essay on Shimoni by Professor Joseph Klausner, of the sort which has rarely failed to kill a student's taste for the literature thus introduced; a number of illustrations by Ludwig Schwerin break up the monotony of the format; and the Hebrew text and the line-by-line translation are numbered, for purpose of comparison apparently—which is not always to the translator's, or the author's, advantage.

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The categorical imperative whence the Theory of Incumbent Culture derives seems to weigh heavily upon Jews everywhere, even in "exile" which Shimoni says "every 'country abroad' might be transformed into" (on line 187 of "Dewdrops of the Night," the third of the **Idylls**) For in his introduction to the bi-lingual **Penguin Book of Spanish Verse**, J. M. Cohen, who also edited the work, declares: "No body of lyrical poetry is so seriously underestimated by British readers as the Spanish." But the cause may be partly archaeological, for, Cohen relates, "The beginnings of Spanish poetry are only gradually emerging from obscurity with the discovery of refrains, written in Arabic or Hebrew characters and tacked on to Arabic or Hebrew poems from the Moorish emirates." If you do not read Spanish, the "plain prose translations of each poem" provided by the editor will convey enough to you of the grim cadences of Lorca, the gossamer strains of De Unamuno, and the soft, raconteurial tones of the anonymous author of "El Cantar de Mio Cid." And you will be grateful that Mr. Cohen made no attempt to ram into your ears the "captured" rhymes and rhythms of the original.

M.K.

Spinoza Clarified

THE ROAD TO INNER FREEDOM ("The Ethics"). By Baruch Spinoza. Edited and with an Introduction by Dagobert D. Runes. Philosophical Library, New York, 1957. 250 pp. $3.00.

DESPITE its fame among professionals Spinoza's "Ethics" has never attained the wide popularity it deserves. The reason is very simple: although dealing with man's emotional and intellectual life in relation to universal problems, Spinoza — for fear of reprisals from the intransigent religious authorities of his time — was forced to cloak his ideas in mathematical formulations and scholastic terminology. In fact so great was this danger for the persecuted Spinoza that he never dared to print the "Ethics" during his lifetime. This is at least the view of the editor, Dr. Runes, a view that contradicts the previous explanations of the strange language of the "Ethics." Sewall, for instance, claimed that Spinoza was not only influenced by Bacon's new scientific method but was equally inspired by the love of Descartes' mathematics and, therefore, decided to construct a complete system of God, the universe and man on the model of geometry. If Spinoza said that human nature obeys fixed laws no less than do geometrical figures, he consequently wished to write about human beings as though he were concerned with planes and triangles. Thus we grope through the axioms, propositions, and demonstrations of Spinoza's "Ethics" as we would through a mathematical treatise.

However, even if one disagrees with the new editor's encomiums of Spinoza as Judaism's prodigal son, whose writings are "pervaded by *Ruach HaKodesh*, the Holy Spirit that has breathed through the wisdom literature of Israel from the days of the philosopher king, Solomon, and even earlier . . ." we must admit that in paraphrasing and compressing the "Ethics" into intelligible and lucid English Dr. Runes has done a valuable job.

While the original "Ethics" is a *fons vitae* of metaphysics, theology and epistemology, establishing a demonstrable nexus between God and human conduct we may be grateful for this new abridged edition since it removes many difficulties for the ordinary reader wishing to enter into the world of Spinoza.

H. E. BLUMENTHAL

Zionist Leader

DER ZIONISMUS IN WANDEL DREIER JAHRZEHNTE. By Georg Landauer. Ed. M. Kreutzberger. Bitaon Verlag Tel Aviv. 478 pp., IL8.200.

ONE of the many photographs of leading personalities in Israel's Labour Movement which adorn the 50th anniversary number of "Hapoel Hatzair" (June 1957) shows Dr. Georg Landauer in his younger years, a kind and smiling face that has changed into a grave and searching countenance in the frontispiece of the present volume — a contrast which clearly reflects the course of his life.

On completion of his law studies, Landauer joined the then small band of Zionist civil servants. In 1924 he paid his first visit to Palestine, where two years later he became secretary of the labour department of the Zionist Executive, soon to be recalled to Berlin as head of the Palestina-Amt. In 1934 he returned to Jerusalem, and the next 20 years brought his many qualities to full fruition. His work and achievements as director of the Central Bureau for the Settlement of German Jews, of Youth Aliya, of the "Pasa" and "Mekerot" companies, as member of the Vaad Leumi, co-founder of the Aliya Hadasha party, and initiator of the German restitution project have secured him an honourable place in the history of the Yishuv.

But Landauer was much more than an able administrator. The writings collected in this volume reveal him as a penetrating and uncompromising student of Zionist thought and policy. His outspoken criticism of the official line inevitably brought him into conflict with the "establishment" and even with some of his lifelong friends in the movement. In 1954, in his 80th year, he died in New York, a lonely man, resigned to having been "shelved."

Dr. Kreutzberger's introduction gives an excellent account of Landauer's work, of his intellectual integrity and personal helpfulness; and a postscript by Robert Weltsch adds a few more touches to this portrait of a German Jew, who was never prepared to pay only lip service to the teachings of A.D. Gordon, or to sell the principles to which he had devoted his life for a pottage of *Realpolitik*.

E.M.

THE MOMENT

By Robert Friend

Perhaps it's morning — and you're waiting for a train,
or evening — and you've drawn a stocking off.
Although there was no knocking at the pane,

no warning whisper or embarrassed cough,
you know it's there. You're sitting at a play
and hear a silence not quite loud enough

for you to make out what it has to say;
you glimpse a message on the back of leaves
when the wind shakes them to your side of day.

Whatever it is that's tugging at your sleeve,
half of your wish is that it wasn't there.
Now is the time the timeless spider weaves

out of itself the labyrinthine stair
that you must climb, no matter where it wind,
unwinding Nowhere till it lead to Where,

if only you can hold on with your mind.
You do. You do. You never do. And home again,
tremble with terrible gladness to be blind.

Recently Published

HITLER, THE MISSING YEARS, by Putzi Hanfstaengl. Purports to tell the "inside story" of the "missing years" of Hitler's life before and after the 1923 putsch till his appointment as Chancellor. By Hitler's Harvard-playboy friend who was Nazi Party press chief before he fell from grace in 1937. London, Eyre and Spottiswoode.

PROFESSIONAL ETHICS AND CIVIC MORALS, by Emile Durkheim. Collection of some hitherto unpublished lectures delivered by the French sociologist who was one of the "fathers" of modern sociology. London, Routledge and Kegan Paul.

THE EXILIC AGE, by Charles Francis Whitley. Christological study of the prophetic developments of the Babylonian Exile period. London, Longmans, Green.

THE SIBYL, by Pär Lagerkvist. Translated from the Swedish by Naomi Walford. A tale about an encounter between a priestess of the Delphic Oracle and the Wandering Jew. London, Chatto and Windus.

A SHORT HISTORY OF ANGLO-JEWRY, by Israel Finestein. Volume 6 in the Population Library Series. London: Lincolns-Prager, for World Jewish Congress, British Section.

MIVHAR HASIPPUT HAKITZRIT HA'ATIKA (Selections from Ancient Egyptian Literature), edited, translated, annotated, and with an introduction by Joshua M. Grinz. Folk tales and poems. Paperback. Dvir Popular Library Series.

HASH'ELA HALEUMIT VEHAYEHUDIT BITKUFATENU (The National and the Jewish Problem in Our Time); by Leo Rabinowitz. An examination of some of the challenges posed by the events of recent years to, and some of the responses by, the "Zionist-proletarian" movement. M. Newman.

ARBER ALEI SHAHAM (Juniper on Granite; Poems), by David Rokeah. Illustrated by Yosi Berger. Tarshish.

ALUMOT (Sheaves), by Jacob Churgin. A collection of short stories by the veteran Israel raconteur. Hebrew Writers Association and Dvir.

GUIDE TO STUDY ABROAD: Volume IX of Study Abroad: International Handbook of Fellowships, Scholarships and Educational Exchange, published annually by UNESCO. Full details on over 75,000 awards offered in 1957-58, including where to apply, who is eligible, field of study, length of courses, amount of award, etc. 846 pp. Can be obtained from UNESCO distributor in Israel, Blumstein's Bookstores Ltd., P.O.B. 4514, Tel Aviv.

COURAGE IN ADVERSITY

DEATH OF A MAN. By Lael Tucker Wertenbaker.

MOST people believe that there are certain subjects which should not be written about — or at least which should not be presented to the general public. My own view is that there are no such subjects, though there are a great many which are almost impossible to write about without falsity, mawkishness or offensiveness. There were few subjects which Shakespeare did not deal with somewhere; is there any which he could not have dealt with, had he wished, without falling into any of these pitfalls? I can think of none.

Three years ago a distinguished American journalist and writer was told that he had cancer of the stomach. After an exploratory operation it was discovered that the cancer was incurable and that he would be dead within a few months. The doctors wished to conceal this news from him, but his wife, who knew him much better than they did, insisted on telling him. After discussion between husband and wife they decided to go back to Europe, where they lived, and to spend their remaining months with as much dignity and enjoyment as possible. (The alternative was to have other operations which might have prolonged life but could not have saved it). When the pain grew too bad for him to retain his human dignity it was agreed that he would tell his wife that the time had come for him to end his life by his own hand. In this she would give him whatever help he needed.

Frank Account

After the death of this man — Charles Wertenbaker — his wife wrote a book in which she gave a frank and careful description of their lives from the first suspicion of the cancer up to her husband's death.

When I saw this book and heard the subject of it I determined that I would never open it. This was not because I thought it wrong to write a book about such a subject. It was partly because I doubted whether anyone but a very great writer could possibly describe such an event without some form of falsity; and falsity in a case like this would be almost unbearably offensive. But my strongest motive was sheer cowardice. I am terrified of cancer, and terrified of any condemnation to death, and I knew that if I read this book I would be haunted by it.

But if it is the duty of a soldier not to show fear in the face of a machine-gun then surely it is the duty — reporters, many of whom

By Philip Toynbee

way bravado, but these occasional lapses from strict simplicity and honesty are very rare. The book is in no sense a literary masterpiece —and the attempt to write one on such a subject would almost certainly have been a hideous failure.

It is a thoughtful and honest account of an appalling experience. Above all, it is written with as much courage as Mrs. Wertenbaker showed when she had most need of courage. It should be read, in fact as the brave but unflamboyant account of a feat of quite extraordinary human courage on the part of two apparently ordinary people.

Mr. and Mrs. Wertenbaker faced their horror with clear eyes, even with genuine humour, and without the support of any religious belief. "When I die . . ." "Afterwards . . ." Sentences beginning like this were always on his lips during the last three months. Everything was discussed between them and everything was accepted in a spirit which religious believers would wish to see described as "religious." I'm not sure myself that the word is much help to us in our effort to understand the apparently superhuman qualities which allowed these two quite human people to behave as they did.

I wish I could say, then, that the effects of the book was to fill me only with a sense of man's nobility. This was one effect, but I had to undergo as well the effect I had expected. Reading Mrs. Wertenbaker's book was a terrifying experience. But if I ever find myself in the same situation as either Wertenbaker or his wife I know that I shall think about this book and that the thought of it will help to fortify me.

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Horror Recalled

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT. By Robert St. John. Doubleday. 283 pp. $3.95.

ROBERT St. John's eighth book is as readable as all the others and, as usual, contains more human interest stories than the accounts of most foreign correspondents. He is a remarkable man: he has seen much of the world's violence, but he has not learned how to remain indifferent to injustice, inhumanity and war. And, moreover, he is well known to readers of Judaica. In "Shalom Means Peace," Mr. St. John revealed his admiration for and understanding of the Jews who created Israel. In "Tongue of the Prophets," he wrote warmly and with fascination of Eliezer Ben Yehuda. And in "This Was My World" he commented on Jewish problems and leaders with perception and shrewdness.

"Foreign Correspondent" is, in a way, an old-fashioned book, one of those "I-Was-There-and-Saw-It-All" volumes of the sort that was written two decades ago when American reporters overseas realised that they were beholding the passing of a world. Mr. St. John tells how he became a foreign correspondent, how he served in Budapest, Istanbul, Bucharest, Bulgaria and Yugoslavia. His judgments on his fellow reporters, many of whom went on to gain world fame, are interesting, and his description of the fall of Warsaw, the Nazi usurpation in Rumania and the pogroms against the Jews in Bucharest recall those days of horror.

Wherever he served in Europe, Mr. St. John found that the native journalists who helped him in his Associated Press chores were Jewish, men who had contacts, who were brave and who refused to leave their countries of origin although they saw nothing but tragedy ahead. Each of these men is limned in rapid but sharp strokes.

Rumanian Prelude

One of these Jewish "stringers," Alex Coler, told him a horrible story of a pogrom in Bucharest, where Rumanian Legionnaires "went to the homes of some of Bucharest's most distinguished Jews and loaded nearly two hundred men and women into trucks. The victims were taken to the abattoir on the edge of the city. There they were stripped naked, forced to get down on all fours, and were driven up the ramp to the slaughterhouse. Then they were put through all the stages of animals at slaughter until finally the beheaded bodies, spurting blood, were hung on iron hooks along the wall. As a last sadistic touch the legionnaires took rubber stamps and branded the carcasses with the Rumanian equivalent of: FIT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION."

Mr. St. John's reaction, as reported in "Foreign Correspondent," is a measure of the man, his sense of justice and his vivid memory:

"That January morning in Bucharest, after Alex Coler, whose name had been on the list, told me the abattoir story, I made a silent promise that as long as I lived I would devote at least part of my time and energy toward trying to atone, to the Jews of the world who survived, for the sins committed on the edge of Bucharest, Rumania, by men who knew better, for they had been born Christians, as I had been, and had been at least exposed to the Christian precepts of humility, gentility, and non-violence.

"The worst part of it was that they had done it with prayers on their lips, and crosses and crucifixes in their hands or hanging around their necks."

HAROLD U. RIBALOW

Life and Letters

Budding Talent

Village newspapers produced in the schools around the town of Ubol, in northeastern Thailand, have become a feature of community life over the past year. The schools are attached to the teacher-training college at Ubol in which Unesco experts are working alongside Thai educationists. Items for the papers are gathered from teachers, children, owners of radio sets and priests in the temples. The "newspapers" are handwritten and illustrated, and are posted on a board in the centre of the village. Until the recent pony-cart library started its travels in the district, they were often the only reading material available for those who had left school. Sometimes the news sheets reveal unsuspected literary talent. An old man in one village wrote saying people asked him: "Why do you come back to your village now you are so old?" He replied: "The mangoes cast a fine shade and the kapok trees hold out their neat branches, why should I not want to return?" (UNESCO).

Nathan Goren Memorial

Safer Nathan Goren Zal will be published next month, on the second anniversary of the death of Nathan Goren (Greenblatt). The volume will be issued by the Brit Ivrit Olamit (World Association for Hebrew Language and Culture), whose assistant-secretary Goren was and whose journal, "Am Vasefer," he edited for twenty years. Edited by Zvi Harkavy and with an introduction by S. Z. Shazar, the volume will contain an appreciation of Goren, a collection of his hitherto unpublished writings, and a complete bibliography of his Hebrew writings containing some 1,900 titles.

Russian Biblio-Trove

A collection of some 80,000 manuscripts and rare books in Russian was displayed in January at the Library of Congress in Washington. Purchased fifty years ago from a wealthy Siberian merchant, these works formed the nucleus of the Library's rich collection of Russian materials, the largest outside the U.S.S.R. Included in the exhibition were one of the few surviving copies of Alexander Radischev's "Journey from Petersburg to Moscow, 1790," which was burned on the order of Catherine the Great and caused this early radical's exile to Siberia; and the first edition of "The Tale of Igor's Host" (1800), the oldest Russian ballad (dating from the 12th century), most copies of which were lost when Moscow was burned in 1812.

The owner of the collection was Gennadius Vassilievich Yudin, a prosperous merchant of Krasnoiarsk, whose frequent travels in Asia and Europe enabled him to collect widely for his remarkable library, especially rich in history and belles lettres. After failing to interest libraries and collectors in Russia, Yudin sold the collection in 1907 to the Library of Congress.

Rashi Anniversary

More than twenty American and Israel scholars have contributed to a book of essays just published on the 850th anniversary of Rashi's death. Issued in Hebrew and English by the Cultural Department of the World Jewish Congress and the Torah Culture Department of the Jewish Agency, the volume, entitled Rashi — His Teachings and Personality, is the second in the "Great Personalities in Judaism" series. The first was dedicated to Rambam (Maimonides). Dr. Simon Federbusch edited the volume and contributors include the late Dr. Simon Rawidowicz, the late Dr. Joshua Bloch, Dr. Meyer Waxman, and M.M. Itzhak Raphael.

Impartial Account Of Epic Struggle

ISRAEL, WIEDERGEBURT EINES STAATES. by M.Y. Ben Gavriel. Janus Bücher. Oldenburg 1957. 94 pp. DM 3.20.

THIS is a competent digest of the Zionist movement and the epic struggle for Statehood. Ben Gavriel tries to avoid all partial presentation of the facts but it seems impossible to avoid bitterness in certain stages of Israel's history. In his epilogue he emphasizes the new State's challenge and potential good for the whole Mid-Eastern region.

H.E.B.

Chess

Problem No. 1119
E. Sozhkov, USSR
"Chess in USSR," 1957

Kg8; Qh7; Re8; Kt6b; Pf2, g2. (6).
Kg5; Qb3; Rh8; Pg4. (4)
White mates in three

February 14, 1958

Problem No. 1120
G. Latzel, Germany
"Chess in USSR," 1957

Kc8; Rf8, Rg4; Ba3; Kte7; d2. (6)
Ke6; Bb1; c3, a5. (4)
White mates in three

Solutions. Problem No. 1113 (Easter): K. Setplay 1.—d2 2. R:a 3:. 1.—e4 2. Qe7; 1. Kt4e! d2 2. Kte2x. 1.—e4 2. Ktf5x. Problem No. 1114 (Hultberg): 1. Ka5 a6 2. Rb5+ Ka7 3. Rb6 c:b6x.

Asian Zonal Tournament
Game No. 687

White: Forath	Black: Borba
1.d4 Ktf6	2.c4 g6
3.Ktc3 Bg7	4.e4 d6
5.Ktf3 0-0	6.Be2 Ktbd7
7.0-0 e5	8.Re1 Re8
9.d5 a5	10.Bc2 b6
11.Qe2 Rf8	12.a3 Kte6
13.Kd2 f5	14.f3 f4
15. Bf2 g5	16.b4 Rf6
17.c5 b:c	18.Qc2 Kt6
19.c:b6 c:b6	20.a:b a:b
21.B:b6 g4	22.f:g Kt:g4
23.Bg4 Kt:f3	24.Qb3 Kte5
25.Ktc3 Qf5	26.Qb4 Ktc6
27. Ktd1 Qg6	28.Ktc5+ Kb8
29. Rb7 Kt:c5	30.Qb3 Qe4
31. Kt:c5 Rb6	32.Qa3 Rb4
33.Qa2 Rb6	34.Rb1 Ra6
35.Kt:d7+ Kb7	36.Qd1 Qa2
37.Kt:b6 Kt:b6	38. Rb7 Kc6
39.Q:f3 Q:c4	40. Qf5+ Kd7
41.Q:a3. Black resigns.	

USSR Championship

Title-holder M. Tall required only 28 moves to defeat his formidable opponent in the first round of the 25th USSR Championship.

Game No. 689

White: Tall	Black: Tolush
1.d4 Ktf6	2.c4 c6
3.Ktc3 Bb4	4.e3 c5
5.Bd3 d5	6.Ktf3 0-0
7.0-0 Ktbd7	8.a3 c:d
9. Kt:d5 e:d	10.a:b d:c
11.B:c4 Kt:b6	12.Bb3 a:e
13.B:e3 Ktbd5	14.Be5 Re8
15.Re1 R:e1+	16. Q:e1 b6
17.Bd4 Bb7	18.Rd1 Qe8
19.Be5 Qe5	20.B:f6 g:f
21.Qe4 Q:b2	22.Ktd4! f5
23.Qe5 Kte7	24.Qf6 Bd5
25.Ktc6! Q:b3	26. Kt:e7+ Kf8
27.Re1 Be6	28.Kt:f5, and Black resigned in view of the inevitable mate.

In the Beverwijk Jubileum tournament M. Czerniak won second place in his section, with 6 points out of 9 only half a point behind the winner, Fuderer (Yugoslavia), with whom he drew his game. He defeated such well-known players as Kramer, Barendregt, Orban (Holland) Golombek (G.B.) and Wade (New Zealand). The main tournament was won jointly by Dr. Euwe and Donner (both of Holland) with 5½ points. They were followed by Stahlberg (Sweden), Matanovic (Yugos.), Baumeesteer (Hol.), O'Kelly (Belgium) 4½, Pilnik (Argentine), Milic (Yugos.), Van Scheltinga (Hol.) 4 and Porg (Yugos.) 3.

Stamp of the Week

If you want to get away from the usual run of stamps country by country, take a look at this one issued by the United Nations to draw attention to the weather surveys which that organization carries out.

This stamp is one of a new set issued by the U.N. from its vast matchbox-shaped glass and steel headquarters in New York.

The big point of interest is that U.N. stamps have become a million-dollar business. Demand is so great for those issued to U.N. soldiers in the Middle East that the printers have been ordered to produce another four million.

Experts predict that the value of those three-cent and eight-cent stamps will increase soon to far more than their normal face value.

Certainly, all U.N. stamps should rise in value to judge by what is happening now to some of the earlier issues.

A sheet of three-cent or eight-cent Human Rights Day stamps of 1954 is worth 400 dollars (about IL720) and still climbing.

A collection of every U.N. stamp since they started in 1951 with what is called the Country Series fetches 950 dollars (about IL1,710) in New York and dealers who buy at that price can resell at 1,300 dollars (about IL-2,340). The total face value of such a collection is little more than 30 dollars. The fantastic jump in what the stamps fetch in America is explained by that old medium, the law of supply and demand.

Until the issue for its Middle East force, most of the U.N. commemoratives were printed in batches of one to two million. As a comparison, America prints more than 100 million copies when she issues a commemorative. The U.N. stamp reproduced here is perforated 14, printed in recess, and a set of 2 costs 1/3d. in London.

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The stamps issued independently in each of the 167 districts of Tsarist Russia and more than 2,000 issues made in the Soviet Union since the first Soviet stamps were circulated on August 10, 1921, are among the postage stamps on display at the Central Museum of Communications in Leningrad in commemoration of the centenary of the first Russian stamp. The museum has a permanent collection of over three million stamps issued in nearly every country of the world during the past century, including specimens of the first postage stamp ever issued—in England. (UNESCO)

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